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NORTH & SOUTH COMPROMISE?

LIKELY RESULT OF CHANG'S VICTORY.

POSSIBILITY OF A COUNTRYWIDE PEACE.

CHANGSHA BOMB AFFAIR.

That Marshal Chang Tso-lin has come out of his fight with the Shansi Tuchun immensely strengthened in his hold on the North, and that the South will not attempt a winter campaign against him but may possibly suggest a compromise, is the latest interesting Peking speculation.

The telegram received to-day suggests that the way may now be opened for a compromise affecting the whole of China, for the defeat of Shansi has ended the stalemate which has existed during recent months.

A wireless report from Changsha reports that a rather serious bomb incident has taken place there during the holding of a public meeting for the purpose of re-starting the Labour Union. There are no details regarding the casualties, but martial law has been declared.

The conference at Hankow between the representatives of the Nanking and Wuhan parties has apparently come to an end, for a report from Kiukiang states that Mr. C. C. Wu and his companions have passed down on their way to Nanking. There is no news as to the outcome of the parley.

NANKING-WUHAN PARLEY CLOSES.

Peking, Oct. 12.
Several internment camps are being prepared around Peking to cope with the large batches of prisoners arriving. Many are being sent to Tientsin. It is understood that they will later be despatched to Mukden.

It is considered evident that Shansi's attack and easy defeat has not only ended the stalemate of recent months in the north, but has immensely strengthened Marshal Chang Tso-lin's power and prestige.

It is anticipated that Feng Yuxiang will soon be driven from Honan, and it is possible also from Shensi, while the Mukden party are of the opinion that the Southern strength, and in view of the financial stringency of the South, will not attempt a campaign against the North, but possibly a way will be opened for some form of compromise all over China.—*Reuter.*

THE SHANSI DEBACLE.

Late Details of Fighting.

Shanghai, Oct. 13.
Marshal Chang Tso-lin has offered a reward of \$400,000 for the arrest of General Yen Hsi-shan, the Tuchun of Shansi, and a further prize of \$200,000 for the troops capturing Shichiaochuang. According to a report from General Chang Hsueh-liang it is stated that the Fengtien troops have captured Wafu and also the country west of Shichiaochuang. A considerable number of Shansi troops have been cut off from the main forces.

Another report states that there are still large numbers of Shansi troops defending Shichiaochuang. Serious fighting has taken place at Tsoi-shi-tin, to which place General Yen Hsi-shan has sent three divisions of reservists.—*Nam Ching Pao.*

Big Captures Reported.

Peking, Oct. 12.
A special message from Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang from Paotingfu, assures the public that the reported victories are not mere rumours but actual facts. The young marshal states that up to October 11 his troops had captured 80 guns, more than 100 machine guns, 10,000 rifles and great quantities of munitions and equipment from the Shansites. As the result of Chu Yu-pu's capture of Shichiaochuang, the main Shansi army operating South of Paotingfu has been cut off by railway communication with its base and it is believed will be forced to retreat to its own province over the mountains, where there are only second rate roads. Hence, the Mukdenites anticipate that only a disorganised fraction is likely to succeed in making its escape.—*Reuter.*

BOMBS AT CHANGSHA.

Martial Law Declared.

Changsha, Oct. 12.
A Labour meeting was held here with the object of again starting the Labour Union. The gathering took place in the Public Hall and in the middle of the proceedings a bombing incident occurred but there are no details as to casualties.

In consequence of this martial law has been declared.—*Naval Wireless.*

CONFERENCE OVER.

Nanking Party Returns.

Kiukiang, Oct. 12½.
Chief Commissioner C. C. Wu, together with Mr. Sun Fo and others, have left here for Nanking on their way back from their Conference with the Hankow party.

General Hsu Chung-shih and others have departed for Shanghai.—*Naval Wireless.*

YANGTZE QUIET.

No Incidents.

Shanghai, Oct. 12.
Nanking, Ichang and other Yangtze ports are reported to be quiet, no untoward incidents having occurred.—*Naval Wireless.*

CANTON ADMINISTRATION.

Military Council Formed.

Canton, Oct. 13.
The Canton Political Council, which is to take supreme control of the civil and military administrations in South China, has decided to form a Military Council for Liangkwan to take charge of the military affairs of the two Southern provinces.

This council will be under the Political Council, and will have Generals Li Chai-sun, Wang Kichung, Li Fuk-lam and others as commissioners.—*A correspondent.*

ARREST OF MRS. C. C. WU.

Daughter of Lady Ho Kai.

Tientsin, Oct. 12.
Madame C. C. Wu was arrested by the military police when boarding the Hwa Shan Maru for Shanghai after a visit to her mother, Lady Ho Kai. She was escorted to police headquarters, where she is still being detained. Her mother and other relatives have up to the present, without avail, attempted to interview her. No reason for the arrest has been announced, but it is assumed she is held as hostage. Madame Wu's visit was partly for health reasons and her arrest (Continued on Page 14.)

SOLOMON ISLANDS UPRISING.

NATIVES IN A RESTLESS MOOD.

MASSACRE OF EUROPEANS.

Suva, Oct. 12.
There is no further news of the massacre mentioned previously, but significance is attached to letters received from the Solomon Isles reporting that a Chinese on another island had his throat cut by a labourer from Malaita. Labourers from the same island also attacked and killed a white overseer on a lonely island and they also bit off their employer's finger.

It is authoritatively stated in London that the Solomon Islands are within the Australian naval area. The Australian cruiser Adelaide is expected to reach Malaita on Oct. 13. The murders are not regarded in London as having any political importance. The whole affair is surprising, as Malaita has hitherto been most tranquil.—*Reuter.*

An earlier cable reporting the massacre stated: News of the massacre of whites and native police on the Solomon Islands is contained in a radio message received by the High Commissioner for the Western Pacific. A trader who has arrived at Tulagi aboard the steamer Auka has reported that the District Commissioner, a cadet, fifteen native police, and the crew of the vessel, were murdered in the bush by natives on the north-east coast of Malaita Island. The boatswain of the Auka and four wounded police are the sole survivors of the affair.

Further Details.

A more detailed account, cabled from Suva on October 6, stated: The murder of District Commissioner Bell, Cadet Lillie, of the steamer Auka, and 15 natives police by bush natives at Sinaraga was reported to the British high commissioner of the western Pacific here yesterday. The report was received from a trader who arrived at Onalagi, Solomon Islands, aboard the Auka.

The outrage was declared to be the worst in the Solomon Islands since the first government officials were killed there. The boatswain and four of the native police were the only survivors of the attack. Bell and Lillie were buried at Kwai. Sinaraga is on the island of Malaita, which is one of the southern islands of the Solomon group.

The only other Europeans in the vicinity of where the attack occurred are a Mr. and Mrs. Andrews, of the Seventh Day Adventist mission. No concern is felt for their safety, as they have a boat and can easily proceed to Kwai if they are threatened with attack.

BIG BLAZE IN U.S. CITY.

BUILDINGS DYNAMITED.

New York, Oct. 12.
Fire threatened to destroy Ocean City, but was finally controlled by dynamiting all buildings in the path of the flames. Nearly every house in a dozen blocks in the centre of the city lies in ruins.—*Reuter's American Service.*

LONG FLIGHT TO INDIA.

POSTPONED UNTIL NEXT MONTH.

Marseilles, Oct. 12.
The airmen Arrachart and Rigot have postponed their flight to India until November, "to allow full time for the final adjustment of their engine."—*Reuter.*

DUTCH BANK RATE.

RAISED TO 4½ PER CENT.

Amsterdam, Oct. 12.
The Netherlands Bank has raised its discount rate from three and a half per cent. to four and a half per cent.—*Reuter.*

MANILA'S BLOW.

SHIP DRIVEN ON THE ROCKS.

COMMUNICATIONS AFFECTED.

Manila, Oct. 10.
A small but very active typhoon skirted Manila, Cavite and Cororido yesterday afternoon (Sunday) and raged away into the China sea. Though little damage, apparently, was done here, the storm early yesterday morning threw the Manila Railroad Company's steam ferry Bicol off of a rock at Pasacao, Albay, and endangered the lives of 66 persons aboard. Passengers and crew were taken ashore in the ship's boats, without loss of life. The U.S.S. cruiser Richmond was dispatched from Manila Bay yesterday afternoon to stand by the vessel, and the Manila railroad ship Mayon will leave this morning to give assistance also.

Reports current last night that a ship had run amok in Manila Bay during the typhoon could not be confirmed. The Manila semaphore station and the Pilot's Association both said they knew nothing about an accident. Shipping was tied up yesterday, however, and it is thought many inter-island vessels had trouble in reaching an anchorage.

The U.S.S. Avocet, entering Manila Bay yesterday afternoon seems to have passed through or near the storm centre. The barometer registered a phenomenal drop, according to officers aboard, and as there was little or no wind at the time, the vessel apparently passed through the eye of the storm.

Ship Strikes Rock.

The Bicol was forced by the typhoon on a cap rock on a sand bar about one mile out of Pasacao at 3.40 a.m.

The force of the impact loosened the steel plates under the bunker on the port side of the vessel, allowing water to rush in, filling the hold and engine room. The vessel settled on the sand bar, her upper works remaining out of water.

Passengers and crew, 66 in all were immediately taken by life boats from the stranded vessel to Pasacao. All were landed safely. The extent of damage to the cargo has not been reported.

First news of the near-disaster reached Manila about noon yesterday when the chief operator of Radio Pasay forwarded an S.O.S. message to the director of posts which had been broadcast by Radio Legaspi at 11.32 a.m. The message read:

"S.S. Bicol stranded on rock off Pasacao with no possible help in immediate vicinity. Sixty-six passengers aboard. Strong typhoon still going on."

The director of posts immediately notified the Manila Railroad Company and the constabulary of the receipt of the message. Copies of the message were then sent to Radio Batangas, Radio Los Banos and the Radio Corporation of the Philippines to be relayed to ships.

The message was broadcast at 2.10 p.m. and the United States Navy immediately dispatched the U.S.S. Richmond from Manila Bay to the assistance of the Bicol.

Receipt of News.

At 3.55 p.m. the Manila Railroad Company received a message from Captain Quilon of the Bicol stating that the vessel had been caught by a strong typhoon at Pasacao and that the ship was stranded at 3.40 a.m. behind Refuge Island. He said the passengers and crew were safe and that the boat could be salvaged.

The railroad company immediately began making preparations to send a relief boat to the scene of the accident. Another of their vessels, the s.s. Mayon, was brought to Manila a few days ago for repairs and was anchored in the Pasay river back of the Intendencia Building. The fire had been pulled in this vessel on Saturday so that it could be towed into dry dock. The fire were rebuilt and a supply of water and coal was taken aboard. Plans were to dispatch this boat at midnight last night but when word was received that the passengers and crew were safe, sailing was delayed. The Mayon will leave Manila at 9.30 a.m. to-day.

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PETROL RATE WAR IN INDIA.

SALES OF ALLEGED SOVIET STOCKS.

DEALERS HOARD FOR RISE.

Calcutta, Oct. 12.
A petrol rates war has begun here, and as a result the price has fallen by one rupee four annas per unit of eight gallons.

It is alleged that the Standard Oil Company of New York has procured large stocks confiscated by the Soviet Government, which the company is offering for sale in Bombay and Calcutta, consequently the Asiatic Petroleum Company, the Burma Oil, and Indo-British Oil Companies have reduced their rates.

Dealers are said to be buying large quantities, and are said to be hoarding stocks, hoping for big profits after the rate war, which is unlikely to last long.—*Reuter.*

CANADIAN ATTITUDE EXPLAINED.

THE EXCLUSION POLICY IN IMMIGRATION.

Winnipeg, Oct. 12.
The resolution passed by the Conservative convention, criticising the present regime's immigration policy, and suggesting reforms and improved co-operation with Britain, has been referred back to the resolution committee, after the Winnipeg delegate had moved for the deletion of the words "exclusion of races incapable of ready assimilation."

Sir George Foster suggested that there might be a more courteous way of expressing Canada's feeling towards so large a proportion of the world's population.—*Reuter's American Service.*

INDIAN FACTION FEELING.

POLICE TAKE PRECAUTIONS.

Delhi, Oct. 12.
Police precautions are being taken in all important cities following the murder of Swami Satyanand, who was stabbed by a Moslem on Oct. 10 in Rajpala, which was followed by the murder of another Hindu in Lahore. Satyanand's assailant was sentenced to fourteen years' rigorous imprisonment.

Pandit Indra, son of the late Hindu leader, Swami Shradhanand, has been arrested and charged with publishing anti-Moslem articles in his vernacular paper, *Arjun*, and has been liberated on bail of £15,000.—*Reuter.*

INDIAN RAILWAY WORKERS.

MANY ADOPT PASSIVE RESISTANCE.

Calcutta, Oct. 12.
When the Bengal-Nagpur Railway workshops were reopened, out of 12,000 men presenting themselves, 8,000 resorted to a policy of passive resistance, entering the workshops but not doing any work.

Agitators unsuccessfully attempted to persuade the whole workshop staff not to accept payment of their August wages, and the discharged men to refuse a settlement of their cases.—*Reuter.*

NEW AUSTRIAN LOAN AUTHORISED.

TO BE USED FOR PRODUCTIVE PURPOSES.

London, Oct. 12.
The committee of guarantor States of the Austrian Reconstruction Loan met in London, and decided to authorise Austria to raise a loan to the maximum amount of 725,000,000 Austrian schillings (£21,000,000) for productive purposes, for example electrification and other developments, federal railways, and improvements in the postal and telegraph services.—*Reuter.*

DARING PIRACY IN HARBOUR.

LAUNCH LEFT AT NORTH POINT.

ROBBERS ESCAPE IN MOTOR-CAR WITH \$24,000.

ADMIRABLE POLICE WORK.

The most daring piracy of recent years, the seizure in the middle of Hongkong's harbour of a launch carrying \$24,000 worth of bullion, the beaching of the craft at a quiet spot at North Point, and the return to town, of the three men concerned, in a motor-car awaiting their arrival near Ming Yuen Gardens, was carried out in the early evening yesterday.

In spite of the elaborate arrangements by the miscreants, however, the police did admirable work, throwing out a most comprehensive net, which brought its reward in the early morning, an arrest being made of a man alleged to have been actively associated with the piracy.

The man in custody was endeavouring to board the night boat to Canton, and it is understood that he was picked out by one of the victims, who was hurried to the steamer wharf, and that some of the stolen property was found in his possession.

AN ARREST ON THE CANTON WHARF.

The only previous case approaching in daring the seizure of the steam launch *Wo Fat Shing* last night, was the piracy in March, 1924, of the Yaumati ferry "Kwong Shin", which was missing for several days and eventually was discovered abandoned in the West River.

Two members of the crew were the principals in yesterday's sensational attack, but it has now been ascertained that they were temporary men, an engineer and a fireman, the former having just taken over from the old engineer, who was reported to be ill.

The launch carried \$24,000 in bullion, in two boxes, but the gang did not content themselves with this rich haul but after subduing the occupants of the launch, fourteen in all, robbed them of any valuables.

Everything appears to have been planned beforehand to the very detail, but the police are very hopeful of apprehending other men associated with the piracy, the net having closed in considerably since the first warning was given last night.

This is the story in brief of a piracy which possesses several amazing features. In the first place the scene of the attack, Hongkong harbour in the evening, when there is an abundance of craft always moving appears to be one of the most unlikely of places for pirates.

Another sensational feature is that when the three men secured control of the launch they turned her in the opposite direction—when still within sight of the Praya—and continued towards Quarry Bay.

Beaching Intentional?

At the moment it is still a matter of conjecture whether the beaching of the launch was intentional or not. There is no information as to the navigating ability of any of the three men but it is now believed that the beaching was part of the scheme.

Quarry Bay is a busy district at night and is within easy reach of Shaukiwan where small craft abound and where there is plenty of activity even at a late hour.

Another surprising feature of the attack is that three men, and only two of them armed, should have been able to get the better of the fourteen men and supercargoes on board the launch. Not only did they cow them into submission but the three pirates bound them, stowed them in the cabin and locked them up.

Throughout the whole of this amazing attack there was no interference from outside. The three men merely announced their presence, two pointing revolvers at the crew and supercargoes, and without the slightest trouble took complete control of the launch.

Only Three Pirates.

The launch involved was the *Wo Fat Shing*, owned by the *Yo Fat Hing* firm. It left a wharf near

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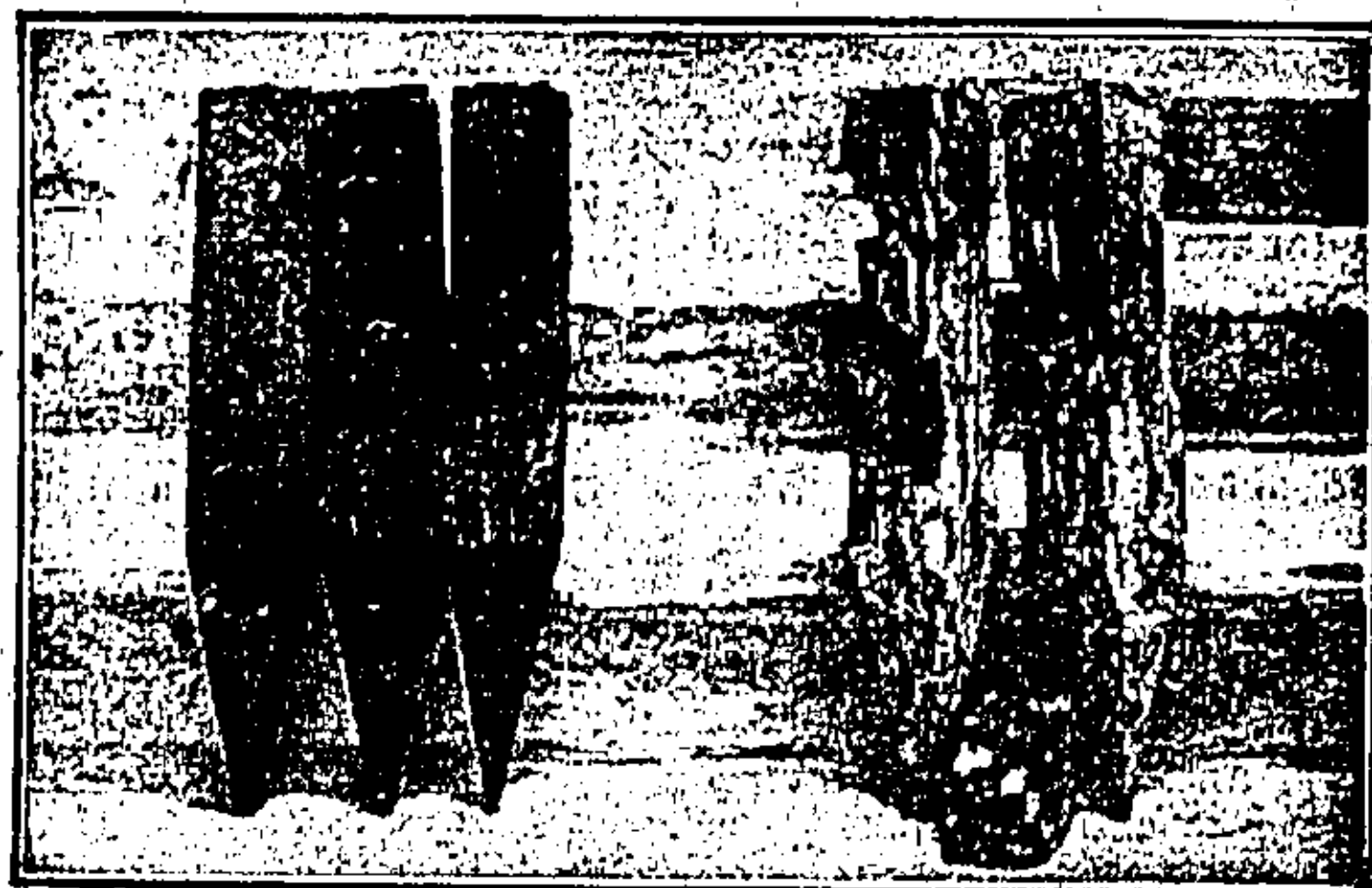
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CHINESE CUSTOM.

THE SCHOOL FEE SYSTEM.

A peculiar custom relative to the payment of school fees in all vernacular educational institutions as claimed to be in existence by the Headmaster of the Kau Kong School, of No. 14 Temple Street, when the parents of several pupils were summoned before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday for failing to pay their children's fees.

In all sixteen adults appeared in court on summonses for various amounts. Three defendants whose names were called were not present in court, while in some cases it was claimed by the persons summoned that they were not the parties mentioned in the charges. These latter were all discharged.

The first case heard concerned a small boy, whose parents were alleged to have withheld \$3 due to the school. The mother of the child complained that her son had been expelled from the school by the complainant, Mr. Yau Shichung. She had paid \$10 and produced receipts for \$7, remarking that no receipt was given for the remaining \$3. She was still indebted to the school to the sum of \$3 for tuition for the Autumn term.

In explaining the system of the school, the complainant said that his school was a free institution, but in order to defray the expenses, such as rent and the payment of the teachers' salaries, each scholar was required to pay 20 cents per month. This was later found insufficient and a "expenses" fee of \$1 for each pupil was imposed.

Queer System.

The sum payable by each parent was \$12 annually, but payment was accepted in the first week of each term, the year being divided into three terms. Parents were liable to the full payment of a year's expenses even if the child only attended school for one day.

His Worship asked if all intending pupils were informed of this system and the complainant replied that all parents were issued with a prospectus notifying them of the regulations of the school.

A printed notice was handed to his Worship, who, after examination, pointed out to the complainant that according to the school's prospectus "expenses" were payable during the first week of each term, and should any pupil cease to continue his studies during the course of a term no money would be refunded.

In reply to his Worship the complainant stated that the last term started on August 12. Several of the boys, whose parents were before his Worship, had left the school, but the son of the defendant, whose case was then being dealt with, had gone back on August 12. He had continued until only recently, when he suddenly failed to attend.

The defendant informed his Worship that her son discontinued his studies because he had been expelled.

Headmaster's Lapse.

His Worship said that it did not matter whether the boy was expelled or not, the mother was still liable to pay the expenses for the Autumn term. It was clearly stated in the printed circular that should a boy be expelled no money would be refunded.

His Worship then pointed out to the complainant that he himself had not acted according to the rules of the school in not exacting payment in the first week of the term.

The complainant replied that the defendant had stated she did not have the money.

PRUSSIAN LOAN.

SYNDICATE BEING FORMED IN NEW YORK.

New York, Oct. 12.

Objections to the \$6,000,000 Prussian State loan having been withdrawn, Messrs. Harris, Forbes and Company are heading a syndicate for handling the loan. It has been announced that bonds will be offered on Thursday at 96½ to yield about 6.28 per cent. The issue is in the form of six per cent. Sinking Fund gold bonds due on October 15, 1952.—*Reuter's American Service.*

BRITISH TRADE.

BOARD OF TRADE RETURNS FOR SEPTEMBER.

London, Oct. 12.

Board of Trade returns for September show improvement in British trade as compared with those of a twelve month ago, exports figuring at \$60,500,000 which is an increase of nearly \$10,000,000, while imports figure at \$101,500,000 and show an appreciable reduction of one third of the increased imports, due to the recovery of foreign markets in coal.—*Reuter.*

On being asked, the defendant admitted that she still owed the complainant \$3 for the Autumn term and his worship ordered her to pay the money through the Court.

Second Claim.

In claiming \$8 from another parent the complainant admitted to his Worship that the boy had left during the previous term and had not returned for the present term. He was claiming the sum of \$8, being due for the last two terms.

The defendant said that her son had left school after studying for two months, and had not been back to the school for the last six months. She was only liable therefore for two months' fees.

The complainant said that according to the custom of Chinese schools a parent was liable for the payment of a whole year's fees if the boy studied for any part of a year.

His Worship: I cannot see that you are entitled to the Autumn fees if the boy did not go to the school.

The complainant said that it was the custom in Chinese schools to collect for the whole year.

To Prove Custom.

His Worship said that he could not understand how the complainant could claim for the whole year.

The complainant replied that payment was made at the beginning of each term in order to meet the needs of the poorer people. This custom prevailed throughout China.

His Worship said that proof would have to be produced to show that a student attending for part of the year was liable to pay for the entire year.

The complainant reiterated his plea that this custom applied in all Chinese schools, his Worship remarking that he could not accept his assertions.

It was suggested that somebody from the Education Department should be called to give evidence on the point.

All the cases were then adjourned till next Wednesday morning.

STONE WATER LILY.

ANOTHER DESCRIPTION OF HONGKONG.

"This is precisely what I thought Hongkong would be like," said Kipling's Brushwood Boy when in his dreams he saw a stone water lily floating on the sea with a luggage label attached which read "Hongkong." It was a good dream because Hongkong is like a stone water lily. A roundish island floating in a jade coloured sea, with steep sides and a composition so barren that even goats cannot be sustained. The label, perhaps, says "Britain," not "Hongkong."

For now there are beautiful gardens on Hongkong and there is an export trade of cabbages to Singapore. There is even a model dairy farm where a Scotchman with enormous ingenuity maintains in health a herd of Ayrshires and Holsteins fed on artificial foods and sterilised rice straw. There are clubs of every hue, snobbery, a race-course—hallmark of every British occupation—golf clubs by the score, more snobbery, a University, law and order, and sanitation.

Meticulous Neatness.

The long narrow quayside and business quarter—almost jostled into the sea by the rotundity of the Peak—that residential mountain of villas—the tall, deep verandahed business houses looking like a series of honeycombs, the Blue Funnel dry docks, Jardine and Matheson's shipbuilding yards, the barracks, even the buildings of the old Portuguese town and the sordid slumminess of the Chinese quarter all have a restrained and tidied appearance; the neat meticulousness of a maiden aunt's hand.

The main difficulties in Hongkong appear to be snakes, typhoons and class distinctions. Snakes: sadden your walks, typhoons knock down your houses, and class distinctions circumscribe your mode of life even to the slightest detail.

A Standard of Measurement.

For the visitor the Peak acts as a standard of measurement for ascertaining the local caste system: the top of the Peak is usually wreathed in fog, which causes furniture, books and silk dresses to mould; the lower reaches, or the Happy Valley, on the other hand, are free from fog, but are so hot and feverish that man becomes damaged, the "best people," therefore, live on the top, and as the visitor ascends in sedan chair or funicular the gradations of income are perfectly apparent.

The "best people" also have the advantage of being able to teach their children the terms of physical geography, because in the views from their windows, "inlet," "capes," "peninsulas," "islands," "bays," "straits" all are spread out like in an aerial photograph.

The Compensations.

There is something amounting to tragedy about the Wanderer Britons—the people of the British Dispersion. Working away in the various parts of the globe to find a living, they endure bad climates, queer food, loneliness, dangerous diseases, undermined health, and tolerate, but rarely enjoy, the company of the races among whom their lot is cast.

The most real entertainment to them is thinking and talking about "Home." Then when leaves or retirement come they find England cold, servanless, and expensive; their children exclaim loudly, "Look at those white coolies working! Why?" Their friends and relations have grown used to their absence.

But there are compensations even in life on a stone water lily. When Hongkong and the shipping in the straits are lit up at night the view from the mainland at

BRIBE TAKER SHOT.

TREASURY OFFICIAL WHO AMASSED A MILLION.

Canton, Oct. 12.

Hsu Shao-yim, a departmental head of the Kwangtung Provincial Treasury, who was arrested shortly after the departure of Koo Ying-fan, was shot this afternoon by order of the Garrison Headquarters in the East Parade Ground.

As was reported, the order of Hsu was decided by the Canton Political Council at its 63rd meeting. An order was subsequently issued to the effect that the charge of bribery against Hsu was substantiated he therefore should be shot in order to warn other officers of the Government against accepting bribes. He is said to have accumulated a fortune of no less than one million through his official corruption.

This morning when the order of execution reached the Garrison Headquarters, where Hsu has been detained, the Military Court sat and passed sentence on the prisoner. Hsu was allowed to have one hour's conversation with his wife and two children, in the course of which his son presented him with a cup of brandy and the daughter presented him a bowl of pork. After the conversation, Hsu was taken in an armoured car on which were twelve soldiers and one officer from the Political Council and one from the Finance Department. The prisoner was taken to the East Parade Ground and shot there at about 2 p.m.

CHINA'S PROBLEM.

ABOLITION OF TREATIES NO SOLUTION.

Shanghai, Oct. 12.

Addressing a large Chinese and foreign gathering at the Union, Club, Sir Frederick Whyte said China's trouble lay within herself and was not the result of the so-called "unequal" treaties. The abolition of the latter would not solve China's problem, which was like India's, the result of an attempt to adapt the Asiatic character to Western political systems and ideas. Incidentally, he remarked that a six weeks sojourn in China had convinced him that there were justifications for the presence of the British Defence Forces. He had not realised this previous to his visit.—*Reuter.*

"PURE FICTION."

MOSCOW'S DESCRIPTION OF ALLEGED EXECUTIONS.

Moscow, Oct. 12.

The official Tass Agency declares the report from Warsaw with regard to the alleged executions of officers of the former Tsarist Army, "pure fiction."—*Reuter.*

FLIGHT TO BANGKOK.

ARRIVES AT ROME.

Rome, Oct. 12.

Capt. Challe arrived from Paris on his flight to Bangkok in daily stages of 1,500 miles.—*Reuter.*

Kowloon or from the ferry boat is like a fairy-land of twinkling chains of diamonds and pearls, rubies and emeralds, the Peak looks like an illuminated cobweb. And it is warm enough to bathe by moonlight, and there is no income-tax!—*Barbara Bliss in the Westminster Gazette.*

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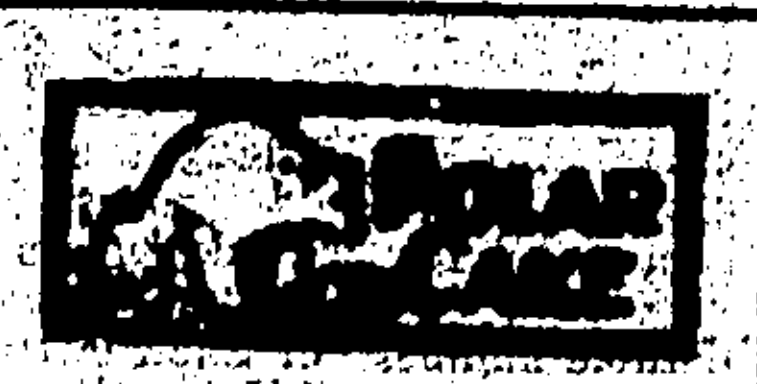
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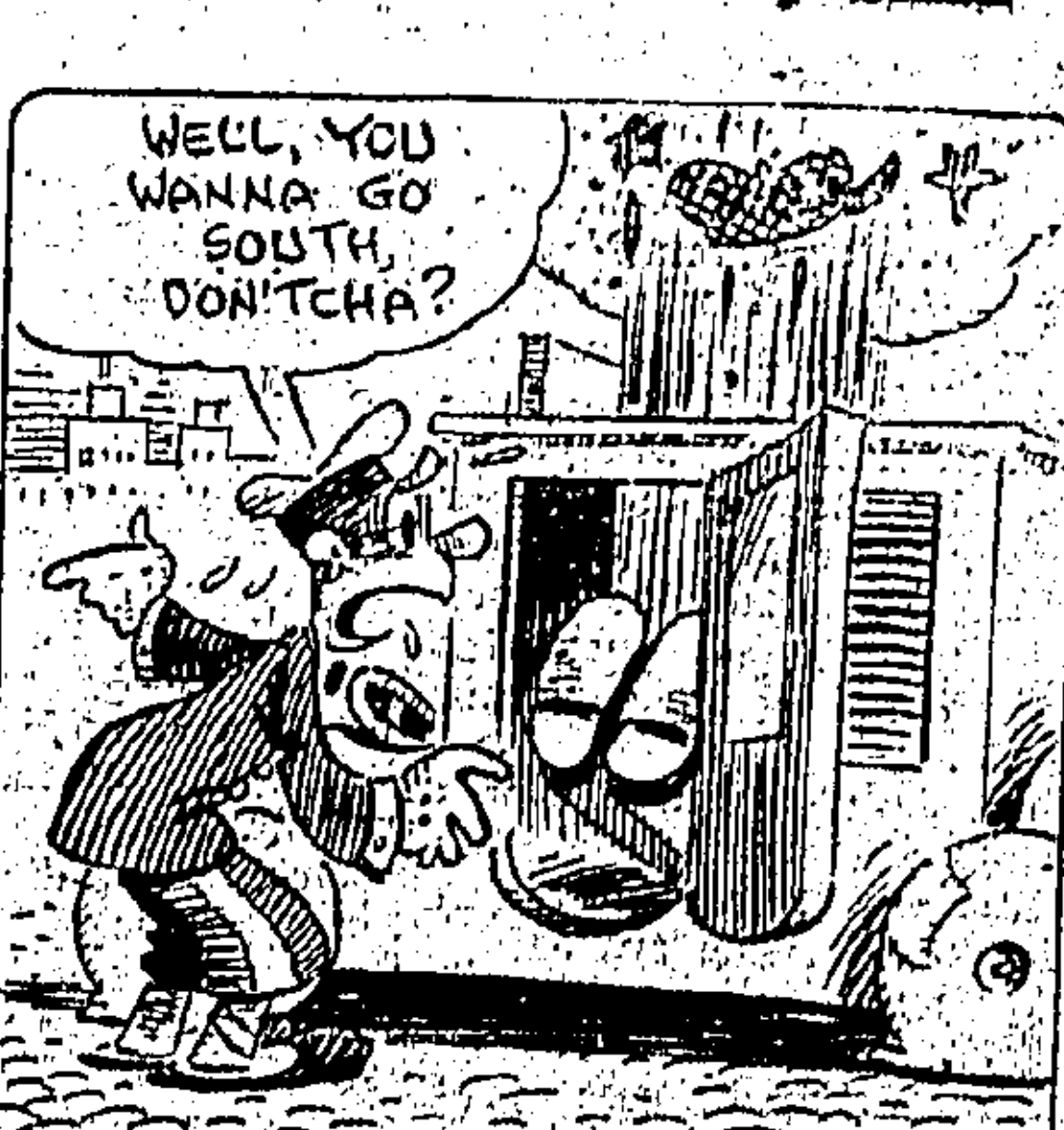
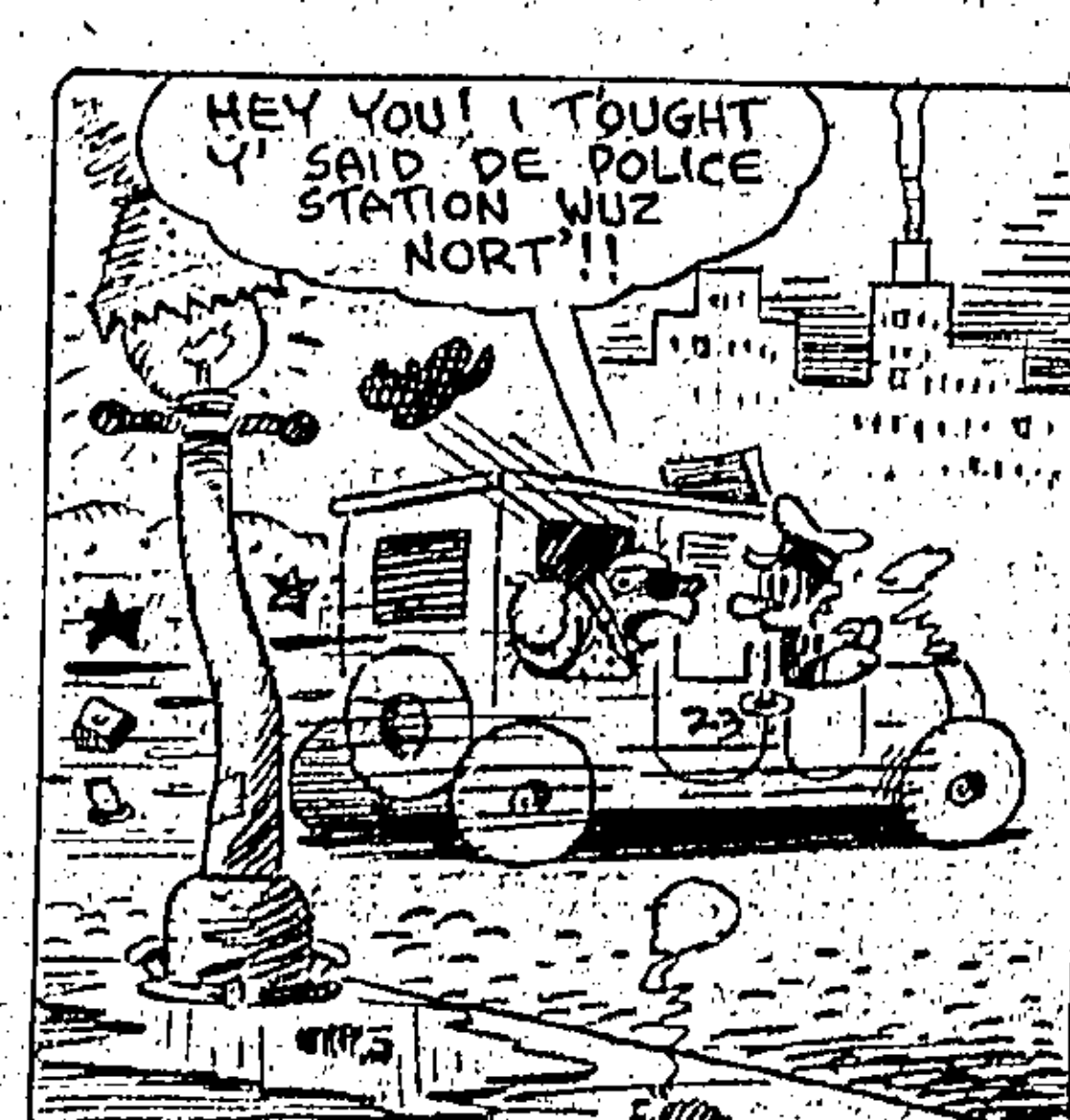
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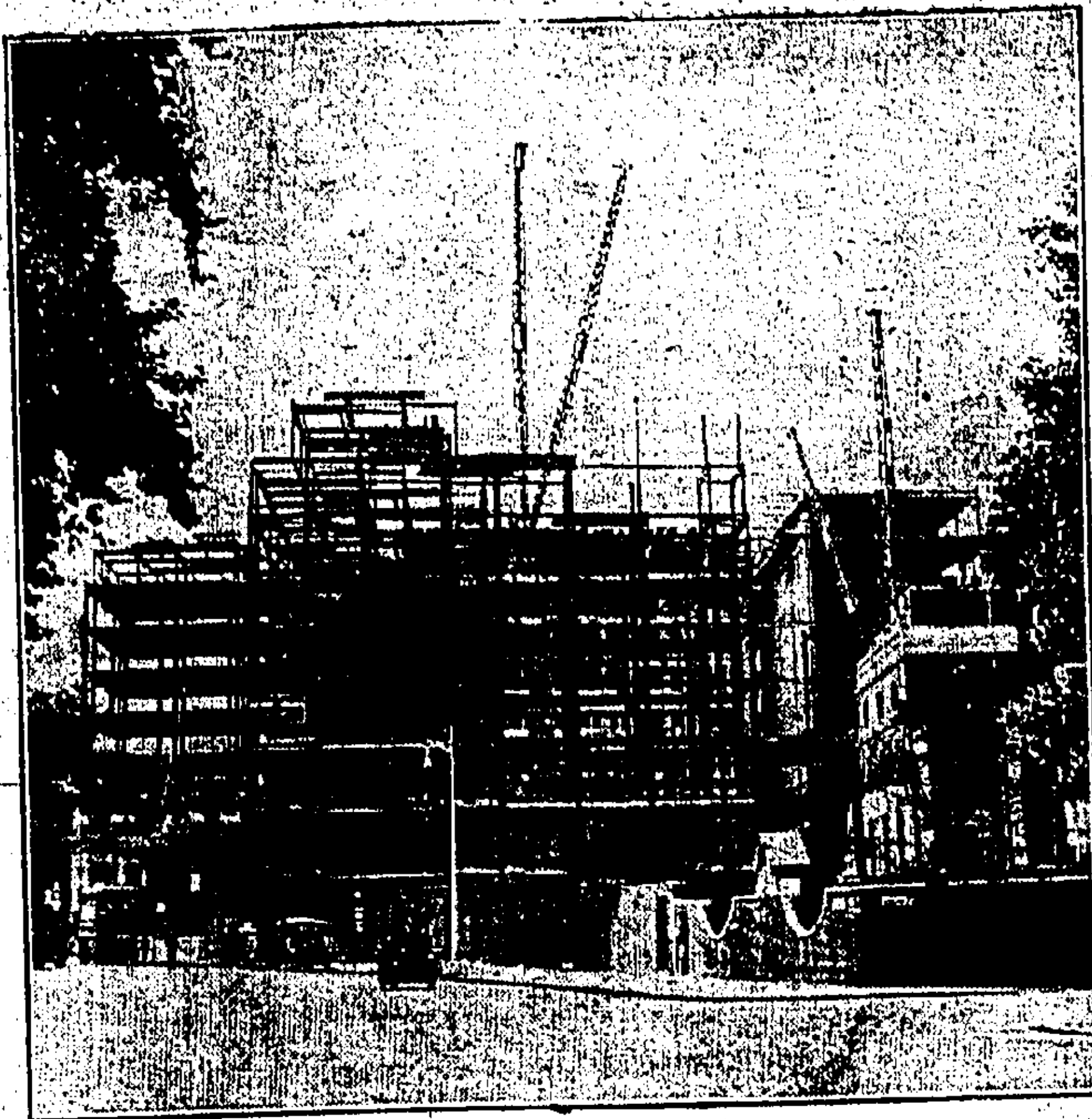
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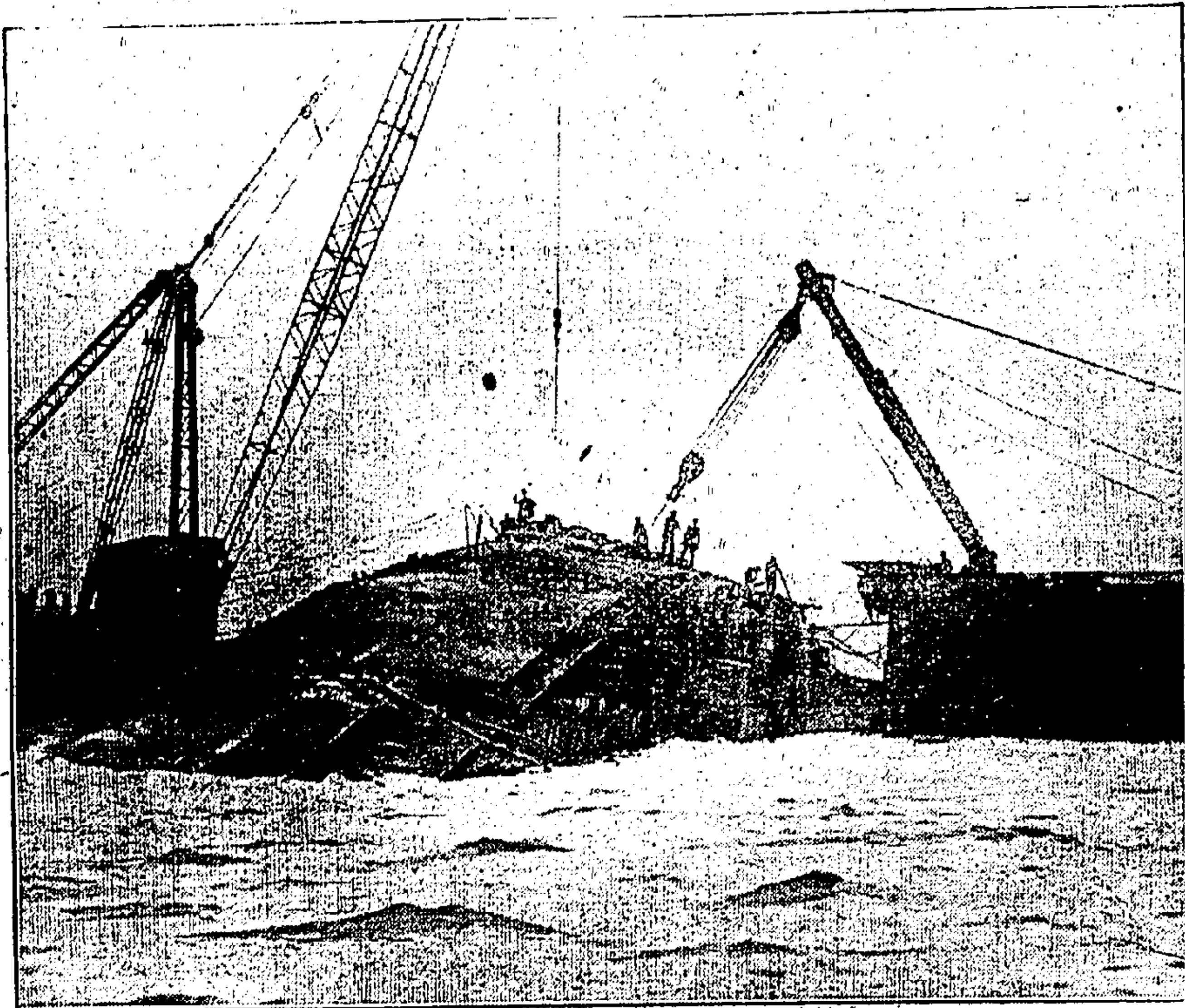




JAPANESE FISHERMEN'S SAFEGUARD.—Fishing boats drawn up in the main street of a fishing village near Obama. As soon as the typhoon which visited the Nagasaki district was heralded, fishermen dragged up their boats, about fifty being thus placed in safety.



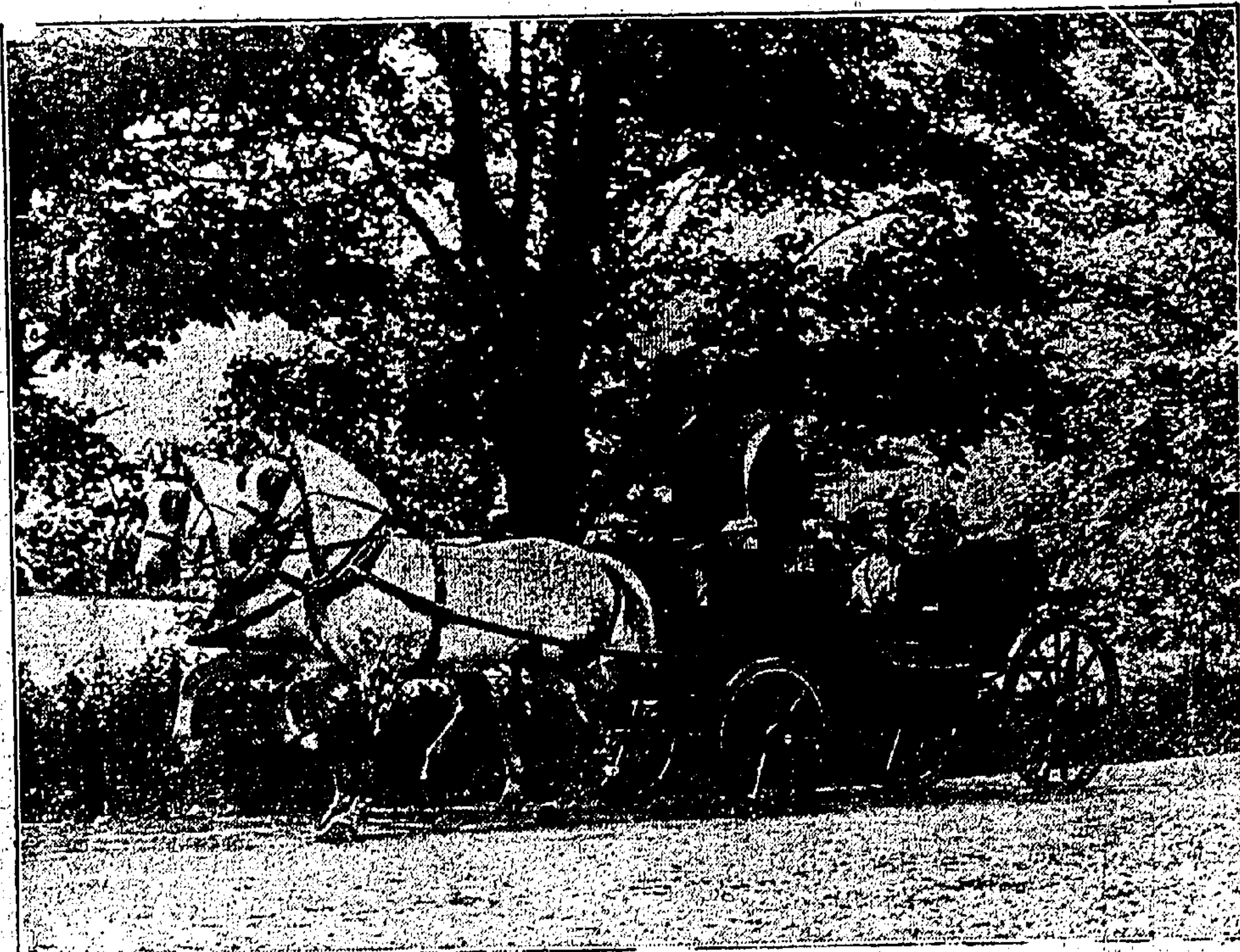
CHANGING LONDON.—The steel framework of the great block of shops and flats which is rising on the site of the gardens of Grosvenor House, Park Lane. In a part of London that is rapidly altering its appearance. (Times copyright).



SALVAGE WORK IN SCAPA FLOW.—The work of salvaging the German warships that were scuttled in Scapa Flow in 1919 is proceeding steadily. The Moltke, which was raised in the early part of the summer, is now ready for breaking up and our picture shows the work in progress on another battle-cruiser, the Seydlitz. (Times copyright).



DINANT WAR MEMORIAL.—The ceremony below the citadel at Dinant, when a monument to the citizens of that city, who were killed in the war, was unveiled in the presence of the Duke of Brabant. Over 10,000 people attended an open-air Mass celebrated by the Bishop of Arras. (Times copyright).



KING AND QUEEN AT BALMORAL.—Their Majesties driving from Crathie Parish Church on Sunday morning (September 4), after attending Divine Service in accordance with their custom when residing in Balmoral. (Times copyright).



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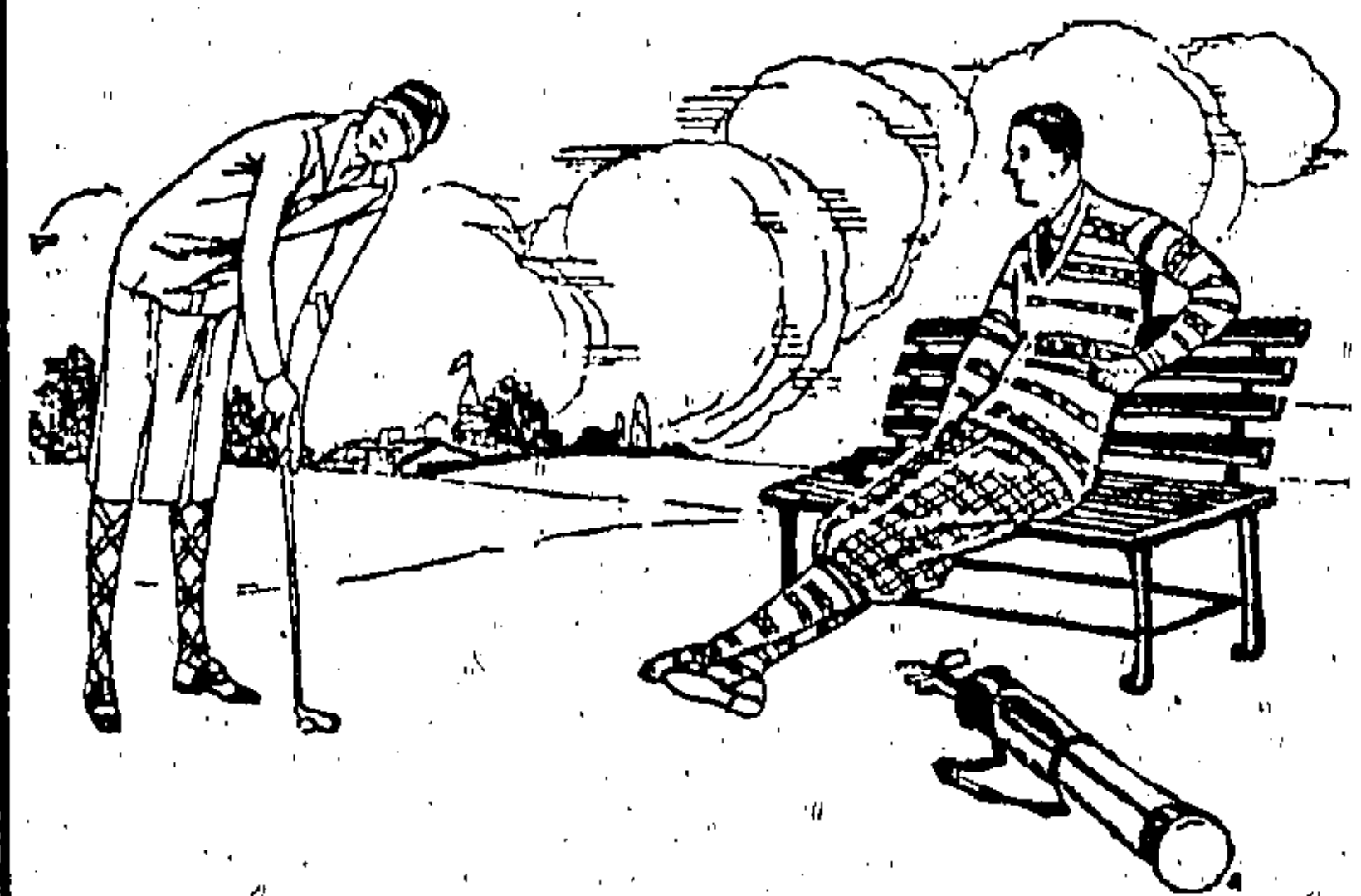
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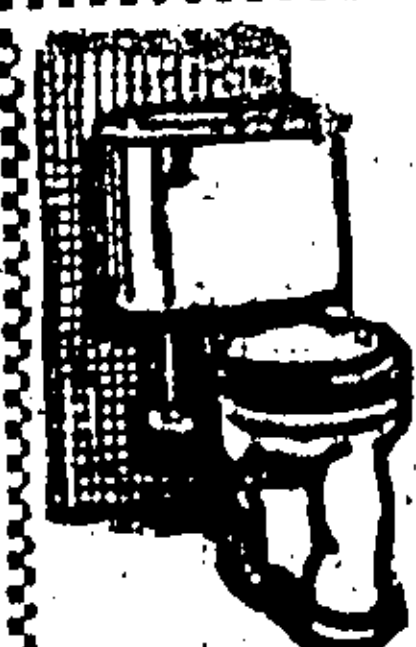


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LATEST WEST RIVER PIRACY.

FULL STORY OF SHING ON AFFAIR.

60 PASSENGERS KIDNAPPED.

Full toll was taken by the West River pirate gang which seized control of the s.s. Shing On on Tuesday evening. Little of value to the pirates was being carried by the vessel, which is a small Chinese steamer on the Hongkong-Wuchow run, but in lieu, nearly every passenger not actively co-operating with the gang was kidnapped for purposes of ransom.

The vessel was ransacked after the ship's officers had been subjugated, and the passengers who fell into pirate hands were landed at a prearranged spot between Sam Shiu and Wuchow. Sixty persons were taken ashore before the Shing On was released, and allowed to proceed to her original destination, Wuchow.

First news of the latest activity of the West River freebooters was brought by the s.s. Kochoh, herself a victim recently, and later yesterday afternoon, the Shing On's agents, Messrs. Yuen Yuen s.s. Company received a telegram from the master, setting out briefly the circumstances.

Compradore Alert.

Fifty-nine of the persons kidnapped were passengers, the sixth being a member of the ship's guard.

The compradore was quick-witted and escaped by jumping overboard and swimming ashore when the alarm was raised. It is stated that he is on his way to Hongkong by railway from Canton.

The pirates boarded the vessel at Hoihow, a small town, the first place of call from Hongkong, and took possession of the bridge at Tung Chow Shan, afterwards ordering that the vessel should be taken to Foo On about four miles further up the river, before she was systematically ransacked.

It is learned that the cargo carried by the Shing On consisted of rice, sugar and betelnuts. These are of comparatively little value, the pirates relying more on the kidnapping side of their enterprise.

The Shing On sailed on Monday from Hongkong bound for Wuchow via Hoihow and Sam Shiu. She arrived safely at Sam Shiu and was pirated between that port and Wuchow.

The local agents state that at the time of the piracy the boat carried a crew of 70 and had on board 80 passengers all of whom embarked at Hoihow.

The ship flies the Chinese flag, the master being Captain Lau Hon-sang and the Compradore Wong Hung-chuen.

The Shing On is expected in port this afternoon.

HOOT GIBSON.

"THE PRAIRIE KING" AT THE WORLD.

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THINGS WE CANNOT KNOW.

SIR OLIVER LODGE ON LIFE AND ENERGY.

"WINDING UP" UNIVERSE.

I do not think that life is one of the forms of energy, in the sense that it can be transmitted into other forms, declared Sir Oliver Lodge, at a crowded citizens' meeting at Leeds in connexion with the British Association.

Posterity, he said, has to solve the problem of the connexion between etheric energy on the one hand, and life and mind on the other.

Energy was a popular term which had only been properly defined and adopted in the last half century or so by physical science.

Work, again, is a popular term of vague but intelligible significance, which has been defined and adopted by physics. It means the exertion of a force through a distance; not a force "at" a distance, but a pushing force continued over a certain space.

The idea of energy is not so simple. The work done is equivalent to and is a measure of the energy transferred, but inasmuch as the energy has not diminished in quantity, it is somewhat puzzling to see what has happened to it.

Energy has so many forms that it is sometimes unrecognisable.

Energy is like capital, he said, it only becomes active when liberated, then it exercises force and does work, the energy being not lost or destroyed, but merely transferred to something else.

It may be transferred without producing any useful effect as in gambling transactions.

Energy is indestructible, not only indestructible by men, but indestructible by any of the operations of nature.

It is perfectly constant in amount. We call this the "conservation of energy."

Dealing with the deceptive appearance of energy Sir Oliver cited an atom of radium.

It is usually quiet enough; but once a century or so it fires off a projectile. It may take a thousand years before it fires off one; but once begun it fires four more at intervals until it has become dead, when it is quiet again.

But who knows whether it has exhausted all its energy even then? We are now pretty certain that it has not, and that any ordinary inert piece of matter, like a lump of lead or of clay or stone or even a glass of water, still contains a vast store of energy in its interior.

Life and Energy.

That matter was only one of the innumerable forms of energy that had been emphasised by Einstein, and the theory of relativity would clinch it.

The intuitions of poets, prophets, and saints are to be respected, even by the devotees of physical science, whose field is so large already that they are tempted to treat it as comprehensive of all reality, which I assert dogmatically, it is not.

Now let us tell you privately and unofficially what I think myself about the structure and properties of the material universe, leaving its mental and spiritual and even its vital aspects unmentioned.

Undogmatically and tentatively, I do not think that life is one of the forms of energy, in the sense that it can be transmitted into other forms. It seems to me a guiding and directing principle adextra, which interacts with the material or physical universe, but is not of it.

TRAFALGAR DAY.

HOW IT WILL BE CELEBRATED.

Local observance of Trafalgar Day will again take the form of a Grand Gala Concert to be held at the Queen's Theatre on Friday, October 21st, under the patronage of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, H.E. the General Officer Commanding, Major General C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G., Vice-Admiral Sir Reginald Y. Tyrwhitt, Bt. K.C.B., D.S.O., D.L.C., and Rear Admiral W. H. D. Boyle, C.B.

An excellent programme has been arranged, including the screening of the famous film "The Battle of Jutland" contributions by Naval and Military Bands, and items by the cream of local entertaining talent.

Most Britons are acquainted with the Navy League, which is a voluntary patriotic Association of British Peoples, entirely outside party politics. It exists for the purpose of rendering the greatest service of which it is capable to the Empire, particularly in all matters concerning the sea. In short, it upholds all that the British Navy stands for as a means of protecting British subjects and British commerce the world over.

Throughout the British Empire, the Navy League has branches to further its aim, and Hongkong, in common with other outposts, has its link with the parent body, the local Honorary Secretary being Mr. L. M. Whyte, who is always ready to enrol local residents. Those who have not yet joined should send him the nominal sum asked for entrance fee, namely, five dollars, and thus assist in swelling the ranks of the League in this Colony.

It is also announced that a "Jagatta" will take place under the auspices of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club and the Navy League, on October 22nd, and will be open to members of the club, Navy League, British Navy and Officers of the British Mercantile Marine.

I apprehend that the universe must contain many things beyond the scope of those that we study in physical science, and that we only get a dim and clouded apprehension of such things when they interact with those other aspects which either directly or indirectly appeal to our senses or our reason.

These higher entities appear to me undeniably realities, but we are not provided with the clues which may some day perhaps enable us to treat them scientifically, and incorporate them into the region of organised knowledge.

Meanwhile, though we may be respectfully silent about them, we need not make the absurd blunder of denying their existence.

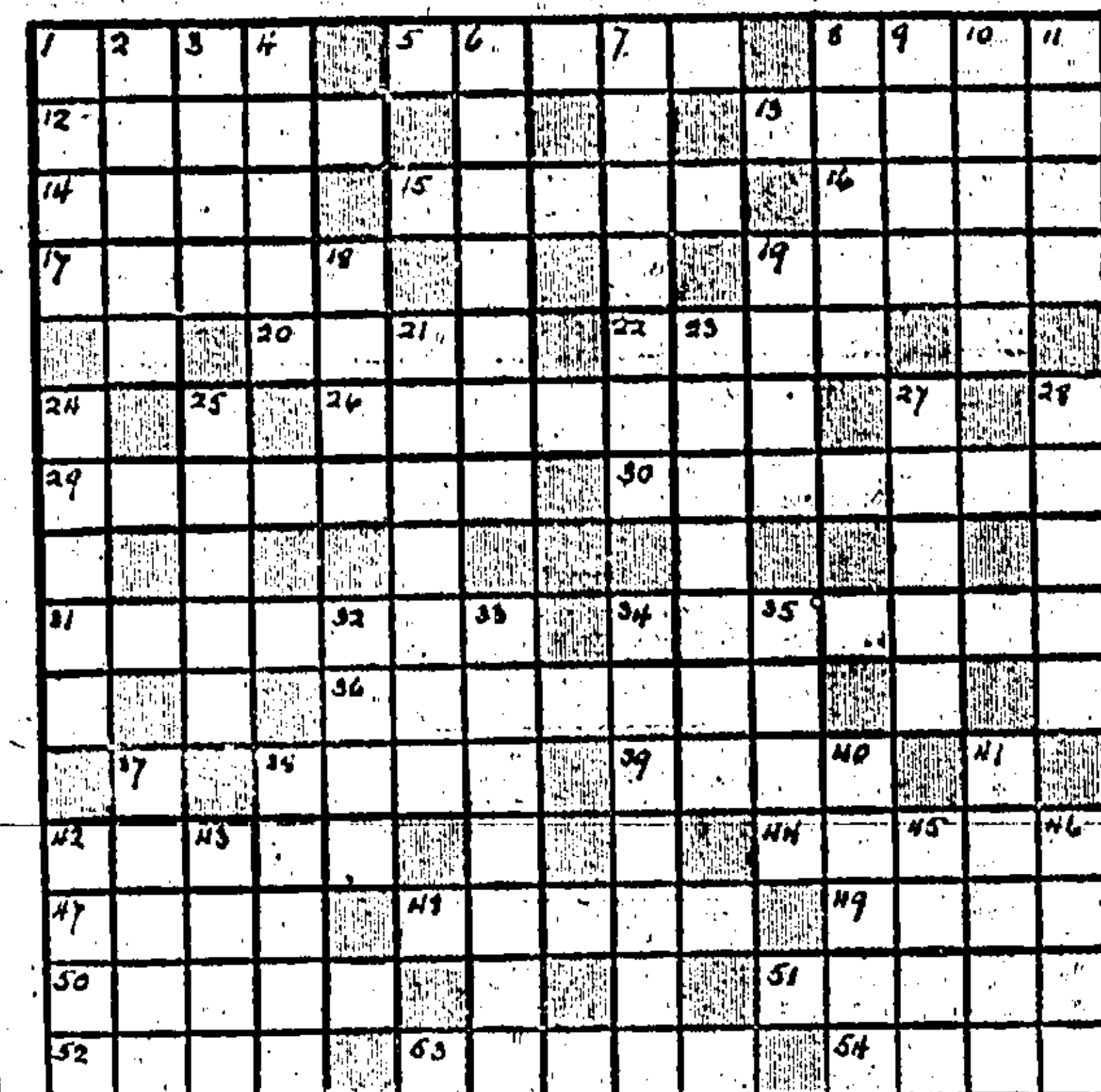
There are indications that the Universe has always existed, and it is still a going concern, declared Sir Oliver. It has not run down yet, and perhaps never will.

Can it be true that the universe is like a running down clock? Is there anything that could wind it up again? The answer, declared Sir Oliver, is "Yes. Intelligence."

In our physical scheme we have left intelligence out, but in so far as physics ignores life and mind, it cannot be complete as a philosophy. A true philosophy must be comprehensive and ignore nothing. Such a philosophy does not yet exist. Our imagination, intuition, and every other faculty must be strained to the uttermost before we get a momentary glimpse of the vast possibilities latent in reality as a whole.

We could already realise that the universe was infinite beyond comprehension, that its complete understanding was beyond our comprehension.

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



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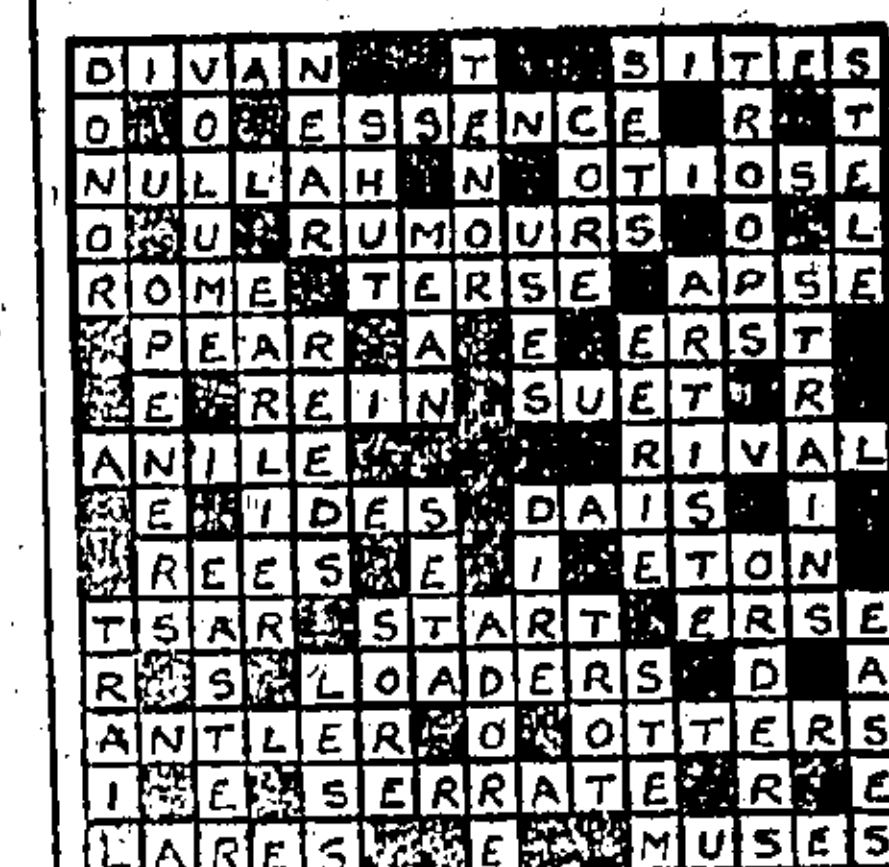
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- 5 Personal property.
- 8 Final.
- 12 Internal.
- 13 Land at mouth of river.
- 14 Line drawn from extremity of arc.
- 15 Piece of metal used for splitting.
- 16 Small particle.
- 17 Akin to frogs.
- 19 Old woman.
- 20 Prophet.
- 22 Unhesitating dash.
- 26 Negotiated.
- 29 Plate.
- 30 Giggle.
- 31 Call back.
- 32 Lion's whelps.
- 36 Part of a flower (plural).
- 38 Let flow out.
- 39 Side glance.
- 42 Gaudy garden flower.
- 44 Gems.
- 47 Tibetan priest.
- 48 Mean fellow.
- 49 Short song.
- 50 Employers.
- 51 Expanse of water.
- 52 Small lake.
- 53 Rice in the husk.
- 54 Duty.

Down.

- 1 Harken.
- 2 Vegetable.
- 3 Indian coin.
- 4 Actions.
- 6 One who speaks.
- 7 Young eagles.
- 8 Obtain knowledge.
- 9 Contralto.

- 10 Weight measure.
- 11 Domesticated.
- 13 Block of granite.
- 19 Turkish judge.
- 21 Hermit.
- 23 Loading.
- 24 Steeple.
- 25 Month.
- 27 Fabulous monsters.
- 28 Obliterate.
- 32 Lifeless, and pale.
- 33 Italian equivalent of "madam."
- 34 Member of the cat tribe.
- 35 Norwegian capital.
- 37 Stop.
- 38 Trap.
- 40 Excess of solar month.
- 41 Otherwise.
- 42 Fruit.
- 43 Omar.
- 45 Level space.
- 46 Subsidised.

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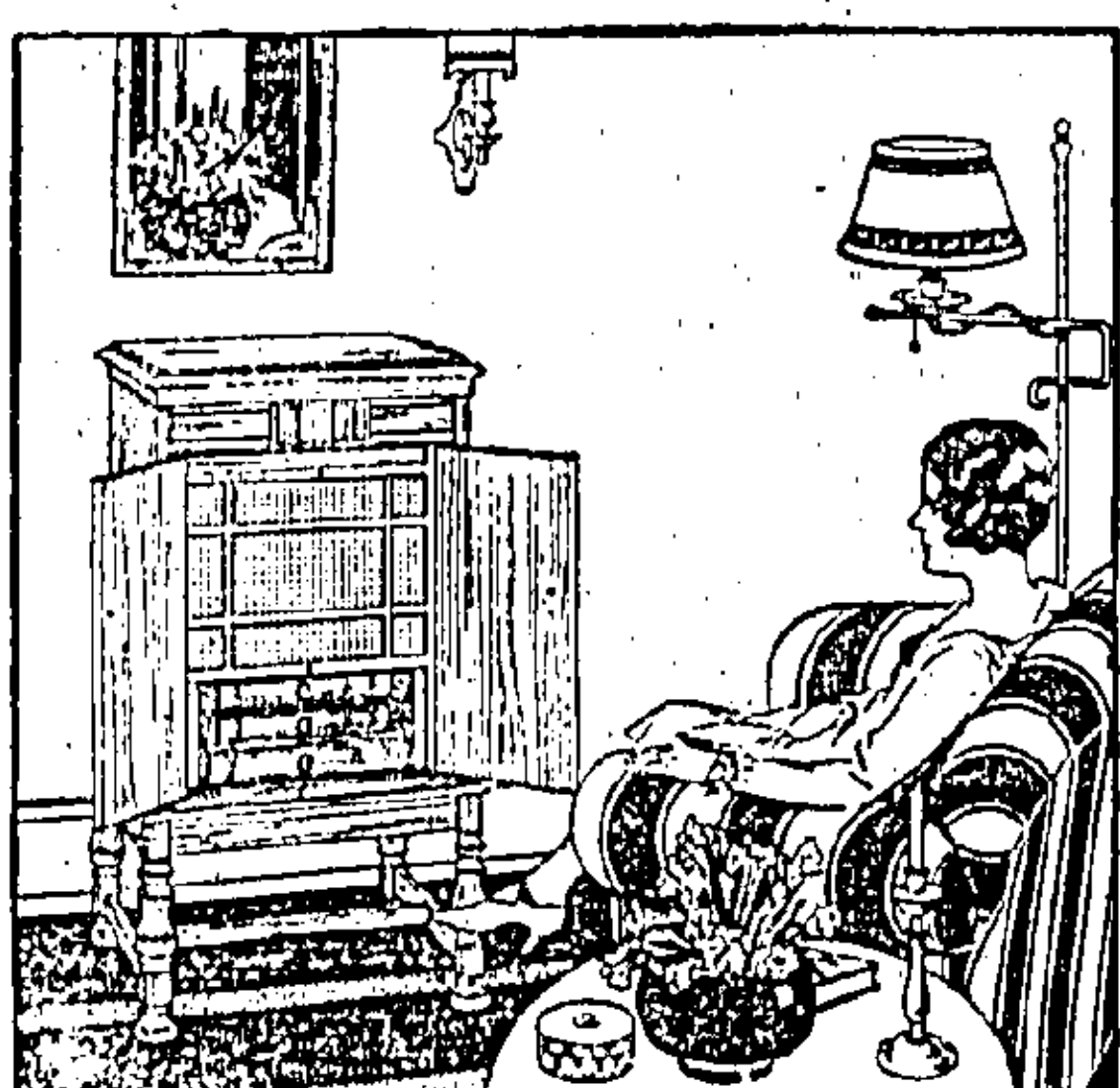
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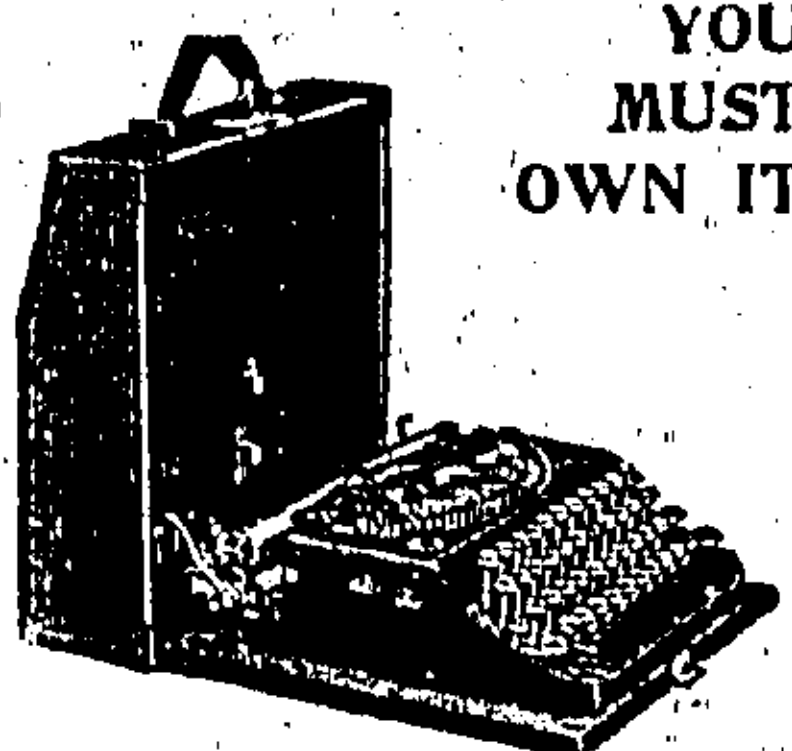
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BREEDING HATE.

There exists at Hankow a rather wonderful and unique body, styling itself the "Pan-Pacific Union Secretariat" and although we know nothing about its right or authority so to grandiloquently describe itself we are more than a little interested in what is contained in its official organ—"The Pan-Pacific Worker." The Secretariat very kindly sends us copies (there have been five issues up to date), doubtless for our edification. Apparently, this Pan-Pacific Trade Union Secretariat is out for real red blood every time, for any and everything that is not avowedly Communist is described as reactionary and counter-revolutionary. Such men as Wang Ching-wei, Sun Fo, Chiang Kai-shek, and Li Chai-sum are all roundly "slated" and the present regime in Wuhan itself is castigated in language like the following:

"The wave of reaction, and counter-revolution which has swept over the territory of the Wuhan Government has not yet receded. On the contrary the destruction of the mass organisations of the workers and peasants, particularly the disorganisation of the Trade Unions, and the mass arrest and executions of revolutionary workers and peasants are continually growing in volume, and promise fairly not to leave the Wuhan reactionaries behind the inglorious records of Wu Peifu, Sun Chuan-fang, or Chiang Kai-shek. . . . Every mass movement is prohibited, every wage movement is punished by death. . . . In place of the duly elected executives of the All-China Labour Federation and of the various other Unions, there have been placed—dictatorially—at the head of the labour organisations military underlings who know and care as much about the welfare of the toiling masses as a mule about the Einstein theory. . . . The new 'Labour' Ministry of the Wuhan Government, which was inaugurated after the resignation of the first Labour Minister Sou Chao Ging (Chairman of the All-China Labour Federation), has started a game of deception to blind the workers to the fact that they are being misled and betrayed. . . . The treachery of

the Chinese bourgeoisie and its fear of the growing proletariat rising to full class-consciousness."

We have quoted the above because we wonder if the writers of such vapourings hope to achieve any solid or lasting results by such ridiculously extreme expressions. We are left to marvel at the mentality of men who really and truly believe that they are doing good in the world by arousing the worst class hatreds and passions, and who can write, as they do in the Number now lying before us: "The workers of the world swear their class vengeance which knows no mercy." It is as well to realise that here in China has been transplanted some of that mad political frenzy which, born in Russia, knows only violence and destruction, and that from Hankow (and possibly other centres) there is being disseminated among ignorant men the most pernicious ideas of the century. None can hope more ardently than we for the amelioration of the lot of China's struggling millions, but we foresee one of the greatest tragedies of the world if the mass of Chinese people ever become blind dupes of these hate-crazed agents of Moscow. There are better and surer ways to improvement than could ever come by the route of violence, and we should like to think that there were some efforts being made to counteract by propaganda this hate-breeding propaganda emanating from Hankow. It is a serious question on which the Powers would do well to ponder.

The Irish Regime.

It must come with a great deal of relief to all Irishmen the world over, who desire to see their country continue peaceful and under stable government, that the recent elections in the Free State resulted in the return of the Cosgrave Government, although with almost a bare working majority. A cable yesterday stated that Mr. Cosgrave, despite strong opposition, has been re-elected the president of the Dail and executive of the Irish Free State. It is apparent from the voting that certain elements who are not of exactly the same political opinion as the Irish leader, refrained from opposing his further election because they did not desire to complicate matters. It was shown prior to the recent election that many rallied to the side of the existing regime rather than see the De Valera party given a chance to stir up trouble in the land. It was all very well for Mr. De Valera and his followers to disclaim any deliberate revolutionary policy, and to promise a spell of constitutional government, while seeking their republican reforms. It was certainly a very tame policy after all that they were responsible for a few years ago, an echo of which was seen in the dastardly assassination of Mr. Kevin O'Higgins. But underlying that plan of the chief opposition party is the principle of entire separation of Ireland from the rest of Britain, and for that matter, from the Empire. Such an idea will not be tolerated by the vast majority of the Irish people, and they have their doubts as to the way the De Valeraites would proceed about the change. The present generation has an only too vivid memory of the disastrous conflicts of past years, and within the short life of the Free State has already observed the great possibilities for advancement and prosperity. They have definitely shown their preference for the continuance of this state of affairs, and can leave a sigh of relief at the small cloud that arose on the horizon having been dissipated.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	London, Oct. 12.
Paris	124
Geneva	25.25
Berlin	20.42
Oslo	18.47
Helsingfors	193.4
Athens	387.4
Buenos Aires	47.59/64
Hongkong	1/11 1/2
New York	4.87 3/32
Amsterdam	12.18 3/4
Stockholm	34.92 1/2
Vienna	27.97 1/2
Madrid	7.85
Bucharest	175.15/16
Bombay	1/10.15/16
Yokohama	34.90
Brussels	89.4
Milan	18.17
Copenhagen	164.4
Prague	5.20/82
Lisbon	2/6
Rio	25 1/2
Shanghai	2/6
Silver (spot and forward)	25 1/2

—British Wireless.

DAY BY DAY.

THE VERY PLANTS TURN WITH A JOYFUL TRANSPORT TO THE LIGHT.—Schiller.

There were two Chinese cases of typhoid fever reported yesterday.

The P. and O. s.s. Malwa is due here from Shanghai early tomorrow morning.

The total number of "free," "through" and "assisted" emigrants passing through the colony in 1926 was 182,040 on 211 ships.

The annual general meeting of the Ladies' Section of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club will be held at the Helena May Institute on Monday, October 17, at 10.30 a.m.

The community singing advertised by the St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club to take place at the Cathedral Hall to-night, has been postponed to a later date.

The silk forwarded from here by the S.S. Empress of Asia on 14th September arrived in New York (St. John's Park) on the 7th October having been 23 days in transit.

The community singing of St. Peter's Club was announced this morning as to be held in the Cathedral Hall to-night. This is incorrect. The venue is elsewhere.

Four Chinese who arrived in the Colony from Swatow yesterday were sent to the Government Civil Hospital, suffering from bullet wounds. It is believed that the men were ex-soldiers.

The Headquarters Wing of the 1st Battalion the Cameronians (Scottish Rifles) are giving a farewell dance at the Kowloon Dock reading room to-morrow evening at 8.30 to which friends of the regiment are cordially invited.

The Royal Observatory weather report to-day states: A strong anti-cyclone is central over the Yangtze Valley. A strong monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China. The forecast up to noon to-morrow is: N.E. winds, fresh; cloudy.

By cutting away a pane of glass from a shop at No. 24 Pottinger Street, some person stole from a show window last night, eight hats, nine telescopes, eight watches and two pipes valued at \$850. The police have been notified by the master of the shop.

The friends of Mr. R. E. H. Oliver, of Messrs. Calbeck, Macgregor and Company, Ltd., who met with a serious accident recently, will be pleased to learn that he has sufficiently recovered to be able to leave the French Hospital and that he has to-day gone to his residence on the Penk.

The following ships were expected to be in wireless communication with Hongkong to-day: Malwa, Delta, Empress of Russia, Laissang, Suisang, Hosang, Angers, General Metzing, Diomel, Tjisalak, Menado Maru, Yamagata Maru, Wakasa Maru, Tushima Maru, Kumsang, Helios, Hellas, Ankang, Van Heutsz and Bellerophon.

The total number of in-patients admitted to the Kwong Wah Hospital during 1926 was 6,138 as compared with 6,695 in 1925. Of these 4,798 or 77 per cent. as against 72 per cent. in 1925 came under European treatment, while 1,400 elected to be treated by Chinese methods. The total number of out-patients treated was 99,729 as against 74,257 in 1925; of these 32,646 elected to receive European treatment. This gives a percentage of 33 as against one of 37 in 1925.

The following forthcoming weddings are announced: Lieut. Comdr. Conway Benning Allen, R.N., H.M. Submarine L5, of Lissonnan, Dernock, County Antrim, and Majorie Brough Warren, Westmoreland House, Tunbridge Wells; A. McAlpine, marine engineer of the s.s. Luisang, and Elizabeth Paterson Stewart, of 120 Drumfrah Road, Greenock, Scotland; Firmino Xavier Delgado, clerk, of 162 Belcher Street, and Mercedes Pilemena Castilho, 1 Cadogan Street.

Industry during the year 1926 was dull, and several factories in the Colony closed their doors. The others are reported to have just managed to carry on. The need for supervision was not so urgent, and the inspector under the Industrial Employment of Children Ordinance, Mr. Meade, acted instead as inspector under the Protection of Women and Girls Ordinance. With the New Year (1927) Mr. Meade reverts to his former duties and acts also as inspector of factories under the proposed "Factory (Accidents) Ordinance," says the S. C. A's report for last year.

CORRESPONDENCE.

INTERVENTION NOW OR WAR.

[To the Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—What will the result be when Senator Guy D. Goff presents to Congress the so-called "true facts of the situation in China?" Intervention or "hands off China?" I am not a student of politics, but cannot help saying a few words after reading through the statements made by Senator Goff.

A strong request for intervention is couched in the following words: "These nations (Great Britain, Japan, France, Holland, Italy and the United States) are confronted with the necessity of choosing between friendly, immediate, inexpensive intervention or a future costly, devastating, horrible war."

Senator Goff suggests that failing immediate intervention a war is inevitable, but will it be avoidable if the Powers intervene now? Throughout his statement Senator Goff has adroitly avoided the suggestion of the form of intervention that the Powers should take, which, in point of fact, is ultimately the core of the whole matter. Current events and history indicate as clearly as the sundial that intervention is only practicable in one form—force; all the more so when the "malicious, malignant, sinister, perfidious, growing, snarling, undomesticated Bear" is a party concerned.

Some may argue that if either immediate intervention or non-intervention would lead to war, then it would be infinitely better to swallow the bitter pill now instead of suffering in a long anticipatory agony. But are we so sure, as Senator Goff that a future costly, devastating, horrible war will be the necessary result in the absence of immediate intervention? Only the most irrational and visionary politicians can answer this in the affirmative. Things are changing daily and the Chinese situation to-day will no wise be alike to-morrow. Just take his statement of the Chinese situation for example. His observations were made some three months ago. What vast changes have developed during this short interval? Surely Russia does not wield such a magical "controlling interest" in China now as she did three months ago. Can we then predict that, failing immediate intervention, a war there will be, by judging merely from current events?

The Asquithian advice—"wait and see"—is perhaps after all the soundest policy for the Powers to adopt at present.

One conspicuous misrepresentation is found in Senator Goff's statement: "If the civilization of China is worthy to be copied, worshipped and followed in this busy practical—yet altruistic period of the 20th century—what are its beneficial effects upon the people who now inhabit the country of China; and judging them as its finished product what has it done for them?"

China, at present, every one will admit, does not represent the true Chinese civilization. We are now in a transitional period, during which civilization usually lies dormant, and a seeming madness prevails. As we cannot judge the civilization of France by the Revolution period as symbolized by the "Guillotine," so we cannot judge the civilization of China by its present condition. In fact, what every Chinese regrets to-day is not that the teachings of our great philosophers—who, as Senator Goff pointed out, were contemporaries of Aristotle, Socrates and Plato—have been worshipped and followed, but rather the contrary.

Senator Goff also says that those who argue that intervention is impossible suffer from the fallacy of reasoning by analogy, and that China has tried for 16 years to find a George Washington in vain. He, it would seem, is the one who suffers from the fallacy of reasoning by analogy; for even if there were a George Washington in China to-day, would it not take him considerably more than 16 years to distinguish himself as he did in America, considering the fact that in China he would have to fight against the enormous force of "convention" gathered accumulatively during the past 5,000 years, while in America he had to deal with an oppression of a short history only.

In short, the reasons given by Senator Goff are not in any sense convincing enough to warrant intervention, and judging from what he takes the Chinese to be—a helpless, fatuous and hopeless people—it would seem that there could be only two possible motives that prompted Senator Goff to advocate immediate intervention, namely: (1) To make China an "international" instead of what he alleged to be a "Russian" province. (2) To crush Russia at the expense of China.

Would any reasonably patriotic Chinese or any reasonably sympathetic foreigner agree with him if such were his real, though veiled, aim?—Yours, etc., AN INDIGNANT CHINESE. Hongkong, Oct. 13, 1927.

The Very Idea!

The young man had had no experience in collecting debts, but he was desperately in need of a job.

The merchant to whom he applied hadn't much faith in his ability, and more to get rid of him than anything else gave him an old account against a man who had the reputation of paying nothing till he had to.

"If you collect this money," he said, "I'll give you a regular job."

To the merchant's astonishment, the young man returned in half an hour with the money.

"How did you do it?" he gasped. "I told him," said the other, "that if he didn't pay me I would tell all his other creditors that he had done so!"

Nottingham solicitor: Where did he kick you?—Man: On the road. Solicitor: But what part of you?—Man: On the ground.

Ejected tenant at Willesden: I want the landlady to return my pet. Landlady: She can have it, and welcome. I don't want the smelly thing. It's a nasty big monkey. The magistrate: Send it to Sir Arthur Keith, or, better still, the Zoo. That is the proper place for monkeys.

Stratford magistrate: The possession of a motor-car is no evidence of wealth. A quarter of the motor-cars running about are not paid for.

If you are not thinking of entering the Civil Service you might find this useful as a diverting substitute for crossword puzzles. Then there is this most vital question for all would-be clerks:—Say which one of the following parts you would most like to play: Rosalind, Lady Macbeth, Cordelia, Beatrice, Miranda, Ophelia. By considering the principal scenes in which you would appear, say what impression you would wish to give the audience. Quote aptly from your important speeches, if possible. There is a flavour about this of the northern firm who advertised: "Wanted, good cornet player with knowledge of bricklaying."

Two beggars, one blind, received a basket of cherries from a lady. They decided to eat them together, taking one at a time.

After a while the blind man cried:—"Here! Stop it! You're taking three at a time!"

"How d'ye know? You can't see!"

"No; but I've been taking two and you haven't said anything about it, so I know!"

Ladies in Vienna armed with large bunches of nettles attacked a party of young, pretty Viennese girls on holiday at Rad.

The girls had annoyed the women by parading in abbreviated bathing costumes. A passer-by rescued the girls, some of whom were suffering greatly, and had to be taken to hospital.

I never worry.—Mr. Baldwin. What a wonderful world it would be if women were born without tongues.—Mr. J. A. R. Cairns.

Americans are not now, and have never been, primarily interested in money.—Mr. Homer Brett (U.S. Vice-Consul in Nottingham.)

The cripple thumped his crutch on the ground as he confronted his lawyer.

"Heavens, man!" he exclaimed, "you are taking four-fifths of my damages. I never heard of such extortion."

The lawyer smiled. "I furnished the skill, the eloquence, and the necessary legal learning for your case," he replied coolly.

"Yes," said the client, "but I furnished the case itself."

"Poof!" replied the lawyer. "Anybody could fall down a coal-hole."

Maud May Raffan, a married woman, of Eastbourne, who wept bitterly in court, was remanded on bail by the Eastbourne magistrates on a charge of stealing a suitcase and its contents, together with a macintosh and an umbrella, the property of Mrs. Audrey Collyer, of Courtfield, Enfield Chase.

It was stated that Mrs. Collyer lost the suitcase—which contained all her holiday clothes, including two tennis frocks and five dresses—from the omnibus in which she travelled to Eastbourne station on her return home.

A detective said that he was in a shop on Monday when Raffan offered the articles for sale. He asked Raffan how she came in possession of them, and she said she obtained them from a girl friend.

In view of the departure of so many of the troops from Kowloon, the Canton of the St. Andrew's Service Men's Club is being closed down, as from Saturday, October 15, after just seven months' service. Arrangements are being made for those men who still wish to avail themselves of the Club's premises to become members of the St. Andrew's Young Men's Club.

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The competition is in accordance with the rules published in the *Telegraph* during the weeks August 29—September 24.

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Torquay v Brentford
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Before sending in your coupons, copy the list of your forecasts. Compare this later with the published results of the matches and if you find that you have eight or more correct send in a claim for the prize.

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

KOWLOON TEAM FOR SATURDAY.

The following have been selected to represent the Kowloon First XI in their match against the K.O.S.B.'s on Saturday 15th instant, kick off 4.30 p.m. on the Kowloon Club Ground.—Wood; Dodson, Caveille; Hedley, Sims, Bliss; Pile, Vickers, May, Miles, Muir. Reserve Slipper.

The following have been selected to represent the Kowloon Second XI in their match against the Club de Recreio on Saturday, 15th instant, kick off 3.00 p.m. on the Club de Recreio Ground.—Angus, Jnr; Spary, Pasco (Capt.); Nicholls, Hartley, Roberts; Reed, Jones, Easterbrook, Coates, Eastman. Reserves: Dunnett, Angus, Snr.

HOME FOOTBALL.

INTER-LEAGUE MATCH.

London, Oct. 12. In the Inter-League football match between the Scottish and the Irish teams, played at Belfast, the former won by two goals to one.

Playing at Stamford Bridge in a friendly match, Cardiff beat the Corinthians by two goals to one. *Reuter.*

BROTHERS FORM BASEBALL TEAM.

TEN BOYS IN ONE FAMILY.

Fostoria, Kas., Oct. 6. Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Simon, on a farm near here, have raised their ten sons to be a baseball team.

The oldest of the ten Simon brothers, John, manager and captain of the team, is thirty-two. The youngest, Eddie, is fourteen. These ten boys are all Kansas born and bred.

They claim to be the only baseball team of brothers in the United States. They have no sisters.

The Simon brothers play a fast brand of baseball, although they find time to play together only once a week. Only the four who still live on the home farm—Birt, Nile, Teddie, and Eddie—ever pick up a baseball except in their weekly game, yet they have won 15 of the 20 games they have played since they started together last season.

Their games are chiefly with the town teams in this vicinity and with "farming ground" teams which provide material for the leagues.

Roy is the regular pitcher, but two of the other boys, Clyde and Birt, also are good twirlers. Each has his regular position, and they seldom change, except that the two youngest, Teddie and Eddie, take turns playing right field.

The older brothers are barbers. John is a barber in Topeka, Roy in St. George, Glen in Randolph and Jake in Fostoria. Clyde also lives in Fostoria. Floyd lives in Osborn.

LOCAL BILLIARDS.

Y.M.C.A. INTER-CLUB MATCH.

In a return billiards match at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. last night, the home side gained a handsome revenge for their defeat at the European Y.M.C.A. recently, winning by 274 points.

The scores were:
Chinese Y.M.C.A.—Yuk Tat-tung, 145; Wong Lau-yu, 200; Yeung Pak-liu, 200; Tsang Chung-nin, 200; Leung Ka-chun, 200; and T. C. Cheah (capt.) 200.—1145.
European Y.M.C.A.—Cresswell, 200; Leach, 187; Murray, 113; Richards, 113; Ponsford, 109; and W. L. Walker (capt.) 149.—817.

Exhibition Match.

Another exhibition match between Bandmaster Cresswell of the Northamptonshires, and Guardsman Hine, is to be played on Saturday, October 22nd, at the European Y.M.C.A., commencing at 8.30 p.m. On this occasion Guardsman Hine will concede his opponent 100 points.

THE CESAREWITCH.

A WIN BY A HEAD.

London, Oct. 12.

The Cesarewitch resulted as follows:

1. Eagles Pride.
2. Saint Reynard.
3. Nevermore.

Thirty horses ran, the winner beating St. Reynard by a head, with two lengths between the second and third.

The betting was, Eagle's Pride 9 to 1; St. Reynard 3 to 1, and Nevermore 50 to 1.—*Reuter.*

London, Oct. 12. The race for the Cesarewitch Stakes—the big autumn handicap—was run at Newmarket.

Mr. Halse's "Eagles Pride" won, by a head from Mrs. Bendir's "Saint Reynard." Mr. Sharps' "Nevermore" was third.

The prices were 9/1, 8/1, and 50/1.—*British Wireless.*

OFFER TO DEMPSEY.

TO BE MAYOR OF GRAPEFRUIT.

Los Angeles, Oct. 6. Ten thousand dollars annually and a ten acre grapefruit grove were offered to Jack Dempsey yesterday to become mayor of Grapefruit, Ariz., a new town in the Salt River valley. The offer was made by Alexander Hursh, promoter of the townsite. He has received no reply from the champion.

WORLD SERIES FINAL.

HOW FINAL MATCH WAS WON.

New York, Oct. 8. The New York Yankees staged the unexpected today when they defeated the Pittsburgh Pirates for the fourth straight time in as many days, 4 to 3, and won the world's baseball championship. The game was played in a half drizzle, half fog, before a record crowd of 45,000 fans.

The game was sensational and the closest of the present series, the Yanks nosing out a victory in the last of the ninth when the score stood three-all. Combs scored the winning run when Miljus, Pittsburgh relief hurler, made a wild pitch to Meusel with the bases loaded. Combs trotted home from third and the game ended with two down.

Combs had been given a free pass to first, and went to second when Koenig, in attempting to sacrifice, scored a hit into center, advancing Combs to second. Both men advanced a base when Miljus, in trying to walk Ruth, threw a fast one into the stands. The Bambino was purposely passed, however, to fill the bases and Gehrig, the next man up, fanned. Meusel followed Gehrig to bat and it was at this juncture that Miljus heaved his second wild one of the inning. The ball missed the tip of Gooch's glove and Combs came home.

Miljus had entered the game as a relief for Hill, Pittsburgh's famous spectacled hurler, who was hammered from the box. Miljus went in at the last of the seventh, although Hill's blowup came in the fifth after he had hurled master baseball for four innings.

Ruth's Home Run.

At the start of the fifth, Combs drove the horsehide into center for a single and Koenig fanned. Ruth poked the ball into the right field fence for a home run, scoring Combs ahead of him. The crowd went wild and continued cheering Ruth long after he had walked out into right field at the start of the sixth inning.

The homer gave Ruth a total of 62 for the season, having lammed out his 61st in the third game of the series.

Moore was Miller Huggins's choice to start on the mound for the Yanks and he pitched the full nine innings. Collins handled the backstop job, while Pittsburgh used two catchers, Smith taking Hill's curves, while Gooch caught Miljus' sinkers.

Pittsburgh started scoring in the first inning when L. Waner beat out a hit through short. Barnhart was tossed out at first by Koenig, Warner taking second on the play. Paul Waner, the next man up, was caught out by Dugan and his brother, Lloyd, remained on the second. The latter scored the first run of the game when Wright doubled into deep right.

The Yanks emulated the Buccaneers in the last half of the first to knot the score. Mr. Huggins's boys started a cloudburst when Combs, the first man up, pounded out a single into right field. Koenig drove out another single and advanced Combs to second. Hill's spectacles were getting dimmed with the light drizzle that enveloped the diamond and Ruth singled to right, scoring Combs. Hill managed to fan Gehrig, in spite of the fog on his dimmers, and then paused the wipe them off. With his headlights polished, he started working his curve perfectly and fanned Meusel and Lazzari to retire the side and win the wild plaudits of the crowd.

The Yankees made 12 hits and two errors, while Pittsburgh tallied ten hits and two errors.—*Associated Press.*

BOXING MATCH SEQUEL.

JACK JOHNSON SPENDS A NIGHT IN GAOL.

Jack Johnson, the former heavyweight boxing champion of the world, Young Stribling, and Leo Diebel spent a night in Omaha gaol, after a fight between Stribling and Diebel had been stopped by the referee, and declared "No contest," on the ground that the men were not trying.

Jack Johnson, who was acting as second for Diebel, jumped into the ring when he heard the referee's decision, and announced that he could lick both Stribling and Diebel in two rounds.

The police arrested the three men, and, refusing to allow bail, lodged them in prison.

Afterwards Jack Johnson naively remarked that he knew he was wrong in coming to Omaha.

Young Stribling is an American light-heavyweight, who was thought to be a coming champion when he started boxing at the age of 17, six years ago. Many light lights, however, impaired his standing, and he is now regarded as being past his best.

CHINESE MINERS BURIED.

FOUND ALIVE AFTER 25 DAYS.

Choutsun, Set. 26.

Twenty-five days ago a most serious accident occurred at a coal mine near Chih Chuan. This mine at Hwa Wu Village is owned by Chinese. The shaft had been sunk near an old boarding which was filled with water. There had long been a certain amount of seepage from the old mine into the newer shaft but it was not considered serious. However, the water suddenly burst its way into the shaft with the result that many men were drowned.

Pumps were secured from the big Sino-Japanese mines a few miles away but all hope of saving any of the miners had gone. Now after 25 days over 40 men were discovered alive. They had climbed into an upper level which kept them out of the water, and had kept themselves alive by sparsely dealing out their one day's rations that they had just taken down the mine, together with the water that was near at hand. They are stated to have eaten the earth but that sounds rather far fetched.

Several of the men succumbed on reaching the surface. The rest have been taken to the Japanese hospital at Chih Chuan where they are being well cared for. This unexpected and welcome discovery reduces the deaths from the accident to about 160.

A recent case of abducting was followed by swift action on the part of the military. They got word that their quarry was concealed in a disused temple and surrounded the place. One man who attempted to escape with a captured child was shot twice by the soldiers. Fortunately the child escaped without injury. The child is now in our school. The 35 men that were captured are being dealt with in the usual way. Three were beheaded in public and their heads hung from trees as a warning to others. The rest are awaiting their fate.

COMMUNISTS ACTIVE AT HANYANG.

TWELVE MEN ARRESTED.

There seems to be, according to reports in native circles, a re-emergence of Communism in the Hanyang district, say the *Central China Post*. On Thursday night last, military police acting on information received raided certain premises in this district, and although we were unable to find out the exact results of the raid, twelve people were arrested who will be charged with conspiracy against this Government.

A good deal of indignation was expressed among the salt merchants yesterday when they were informed that the tax of \$3 on each bag of salt was to be imposed on cargo due to arrive at the port.

This tax, which was recently imposed for the improvement of the currency position, was paid under protest, and on the distinct understanding that the merchants would be called upon to pay it once only.

It was paid on a very large quantity of salt, which was imported to meet the dearth which at that time mounted to almost a famine in the commodity.

According to report the merchants were informed that they would have to pay it again on their orders—which are now due. Meetings were in process of being arranged designed to protest in the strongest manner against this imposition, but it is doubtful whether they will be of any value.

A.P.F. CHAPMAN IN NEW ROLE.

17½ DOZEN OYSTERS AT A SITTING.

London, Sept. 18. Lamenting that oysters at six pence each are too dear even for enthusiasts, A. P. F. Chapman, the former England Cricket Captain, recalls eating 17½ dozen when visiting Australia in 1924. He says that they went on an upriver trip from Brisbane and the Aussies presented the team with a sack of 6,000 oysters and wanted them to eat the lot. "We lashed out will-ingly but failed. I was the best long distance eater. Howell was second, beaten by two. Fortunately the next day was Sunday. I knocked up 90 on Monday so the oysters did me good."

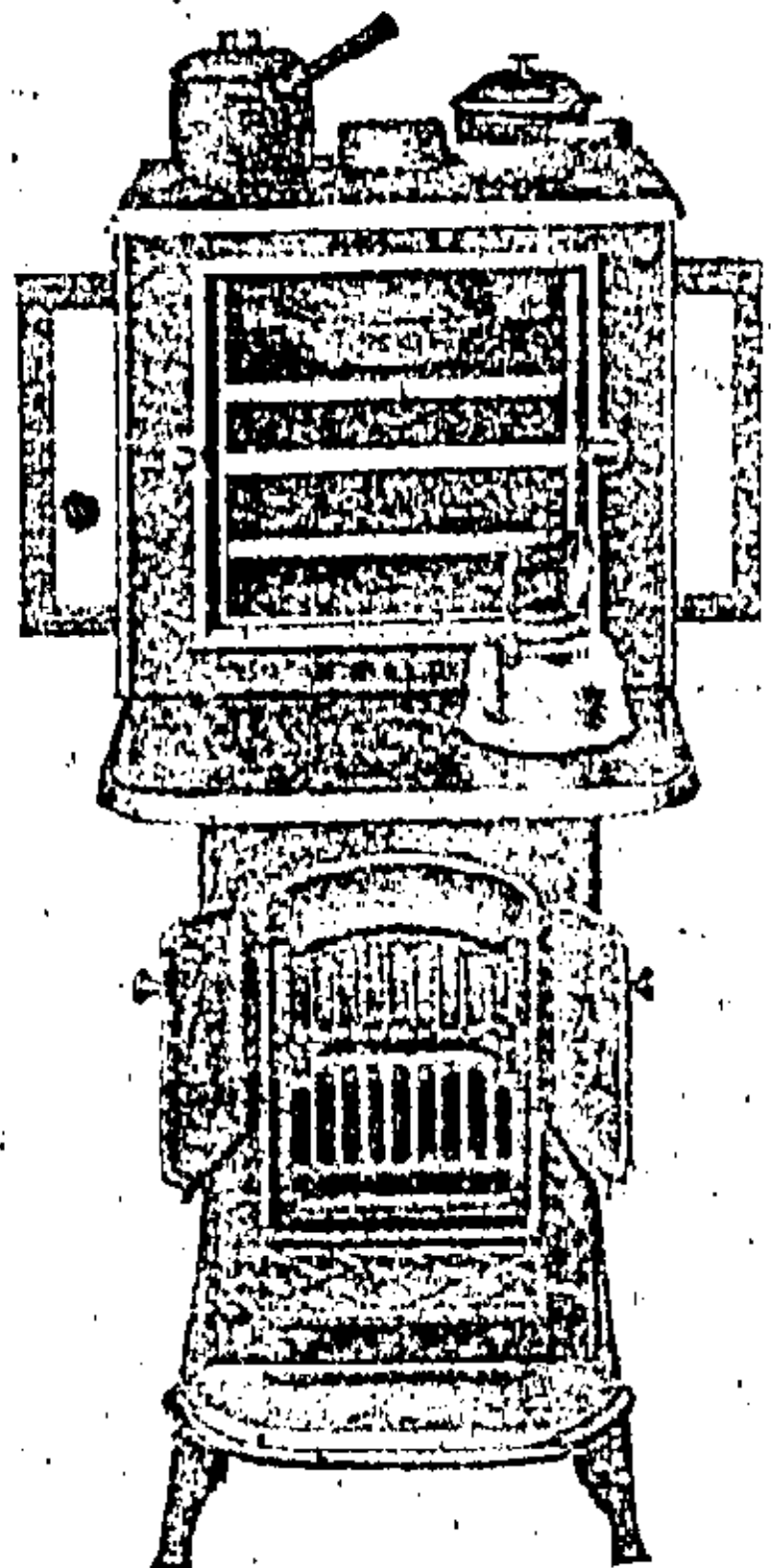
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The following will represent Club de Recreio in a Hockey Match against the Hongkong University 'A' Team at the University Ground on Monday 17th instant, at 5.15 sharp.

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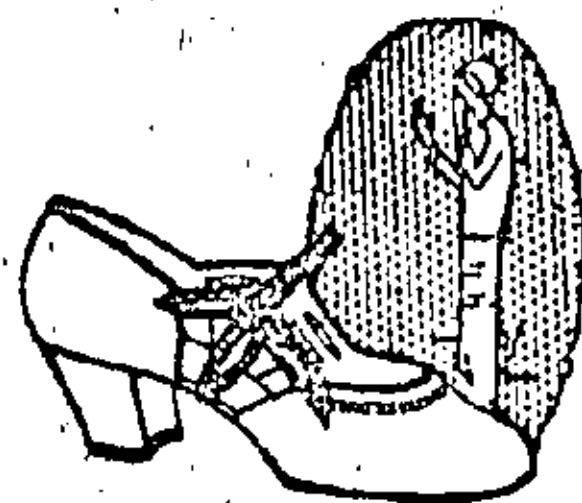
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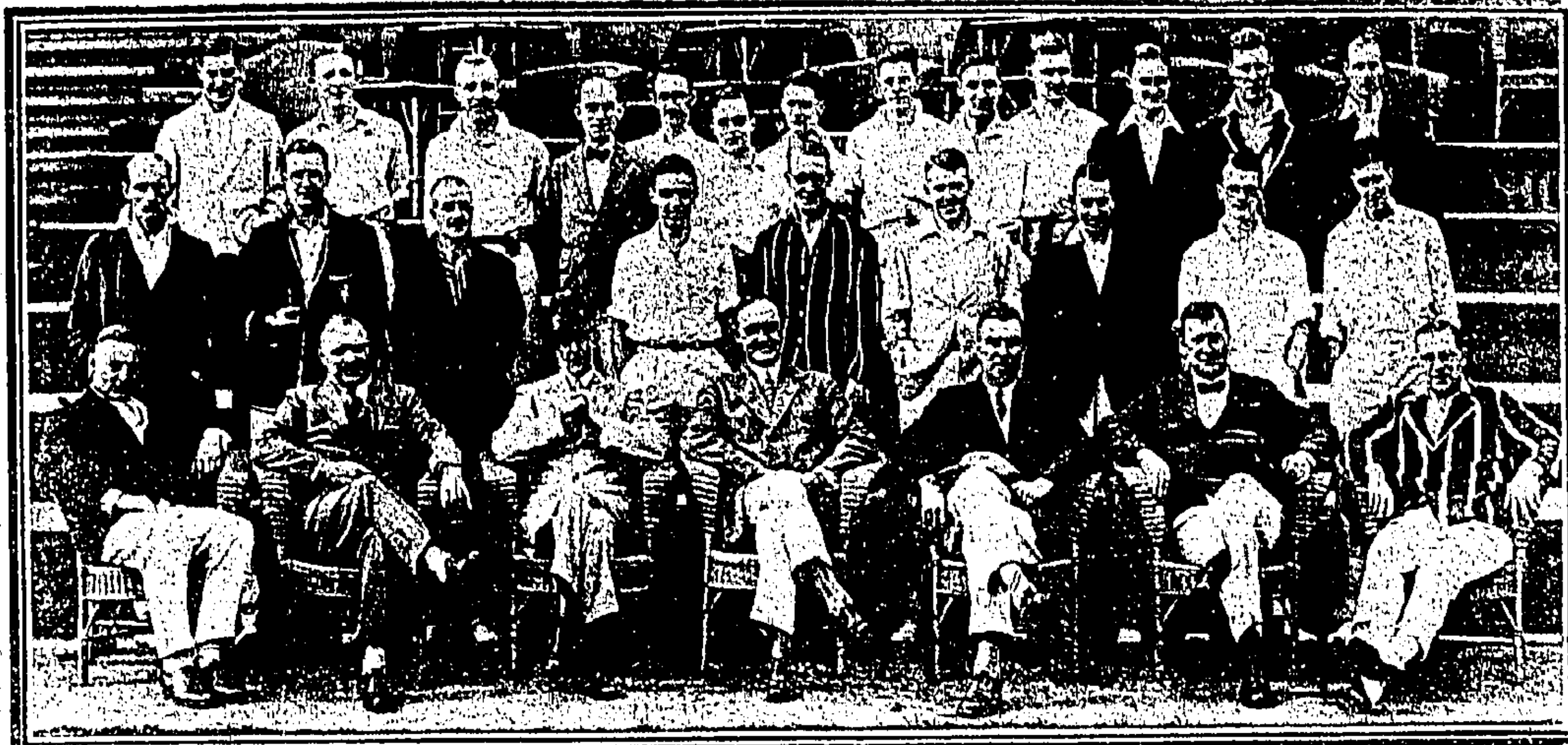
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"King Billy," the last of the
Canberra Aborigines, who was a
picturesque figure during the visit
of the Duke and Duchess of York,
has died in hospital, aged 90.

TAIKOO, WAYFOONG CRICKETERS MEET IN SHANGHAI.



The annual cricket match between the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank and Butterfield and Swire's took place recently on the Shanghai Cricket Club ground, and resulted in a draw; rain and bad light causing an early drawing of stumps. Photograph shows the teams just outside the pavilion after tiffin. Congratulatory speeches were exchanged.

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pleasing. The nearer the hand is
moved to the rod the higher the
note, the farther away from the
rod the lower the note. The
Russian inventor played several
melodies in perfect tune by the
simple method of moving his hand
to and from the rod. There was
no deception. The interesting
thing is that by this invention
you may play the viola without
any technique except a pair of
ears.

Others who tried the instrument
did not play tunes, it is stated,
but by merely moving their hands
to and from the rod they produced
howling of a high and low pitch.
It is explained that the sound
originates in wireless waves, con-
verted into audible music by the
diaphragm in the loud speaker.

Capt. Eckersley's Experiment.

Within an hour of having his
attention drawn to the description
of the new instrument, Capt. P.
Eckersley had a vertical rod
connected with an oscillating cir-
cuit set up in the B.B.C. laboratory
at Savoy Hill, and was good
enough to demonstrate to a re-
presentative of *The Observer* the
principle of the invention. By
simply, like the Russian professor,
moving his hands nearer or far-
ther away from this rod a chang-
ing note was produced in a pain-
ful earphones. It might just as
well have been a loud speaker and
audible to everybody, as he re-
marked.

The control of the note was not
obvious, he explained, because the
apparatus was only hurriedly set
up, but it illustrated the principle
that the movement of the hands
can be made sympathetically to
vary the note, and hence it had
all the potentialities of the Frank-
furt apparatus, although it might
take a month or two to work it
out in such a way as to be entire-
ly controllable for playing various
melodies.

"God Save the King."

An instrument similar in prin-
ciple, except that the frequency of
the note is changed, not by any
movement of the hands, but by
turning an ordinary condenser,
has long been in use in the B.B.C.
laboratory for testing loud-speak-
ers. By simply turning the dial
Capt. Eckersley gave a recognis-
able rendering of the National
Anthem, and played some deep
notes like those of an organ.

"Synthetically," he said, "you
could do almost anything, but my
real comment on the invention is
What is wrong with the viola
or with the symphony orchestra?
Why not use the instruments we
have? I do not think we can
produce anything better. Indeed,
with this invention there are

NOT PROVEN.

CASE AGAINST CONSTABLE
FAILS.

In the case in which P. G. Tang
Wai-tong was charged with in-
timidation of an unlicensed hawk-
er and with misconduct as a
police constable, the defence was
continued when the hearing was
resumed before Major C. Willson
at the Central Magistracy yester-
day afternoon.

It will be recalled that the de-
fendant was alleged to have as-
saulted an unlicensed hawk,
named Man Cheung, because the
latter gave evidence against the
seven constables in a "squeeze"
case. This was denied, and a dif-
ferent story was brought out by
Mr. D. McCallum (defending)
yesterday afternoon.

Lo Yuet, a woman, who claimed
to be a "sworn sister" to the
defendant, stated that the hawk-
er demanded from her the re-
fund of \$5 because a fellow hawk-
er had not been "saved" from
arrest, and that it was during an
altercation arising from this that
the defendant interfered and as-
saulted the hawk.

She was cross-examined at some
length by Inspector Lane as to
the exact nature and duration of
her relationship with the defend-
ant. She was asked if she was
also known as Man So, a woman
who collected bribes for the con-
stables.

At the conclusion of the evi-
dence Mr. McCallum addressed the
Court. Major Willson found
there was not sufficient evidence
to support both charges, and dis-
charged the defendant.

JUNK CAPSIZES.

TWO FATALITIES IN THE
HARBOUR.

Smart rescues were effected in the
Harbour yesterday morning when a
large junk capsized opposite the
Hongkong Canton and Macao Steam-
boat Co's. wharf. The junk was
heavily laden with a thousand bags
of flour, and when caught by a sud-
den gust of wind in a rather heavy
sea the craft heeled over and cap-
sized.

All the nine occupants were thrown
into the sea, but seven managed to
cling to the upturned craft. A Har-
bour Office launch and one from a
Japanese vessel went to the scene
and effected their rescue. The mis-
tress of the junk and a small boy
were pinned underneath the junk.
The woman was pulled out by Mr.
Rocha, junk inspector, but on being
taken to the Harbour Office was found
to be dead. The small boy is missing
and it is presumed that he was
drowned.

fewer possibilities than with the
viola, inasmuch as the notes pro-
duced by the movement of the
hands are not rich in harmonics,
and therefore more resemble a
wind instrument, which, person-
ally, I think inferior to a string
instrument. You would also lose
very largely the personal touch,
which plays so important a part
in every performance that is
given on an ordinary musical in-
strument."

Another difficulty Capt. Eckers-
ley pointed out is that, although
loud-speakers will, no doubt, be
developed into perfect instru-
ments in time, the problems are
still considerable, and at the mo-
ment melodies played on a vertical
rod and communicated through
them would inevitably suffer from
the disadvantage of this method
of making them audible.

OUR DAILY TALK ON HEALTH.

MAN'S BRAIN CHANGING
BY EVOLUTION.

MORE HUMANITY.

According to the most conserva-
tive experts on the state of the
world, the human family has been
in existence for more than 500,000
years.

In a view of the evidence as to
the changing character of the hu-
man brain during this period, Dr.
Frederick Tilney of New York
points out that the volume of the
thinking portion of the brain has
been slowly increasing. Some of
its regions have become more
highly specialized so that the
brain of man to-day is certainly
a more highly efficient organ than
that possessed by prehistoric man.
This does not mean that it is a
better organ than was possessed
by the philosophers of Greece two
thousand years ago.

In order to obtain some evi-
dence as to the kind of brain
possessed by prehistoric man,
Tilney has studied the skulls of
the most ancient human fossils
and compared them with that of
the ape. He finds these skulls
indicative of an ability for proper
behaviour far above that of the
gorilla, but equally below that
of modern man.

The experts in study of the
brain have shown that certain
portions are charged with definite
functions, for instance with the
use of the hand, with the expan-
sion of sensibility of the eye and
ear, with the development of
speech, and with the establish-
ment of human personality and
higher thinking powers.

In studying the brains of prehis-
toric man, the observers are con-
vinced that they were capable of
many skilled acts dictated by the
bare essentials of life and by the
need for food and for protection.
Prehistoric men were dependent
for their livelihood on the pur-
suit of the animal. They lived a
simple existence, in communities
of considerable size, as shown by
the fact that the vocal apparatus
was rather well developed.

Prehistoric man had a heavy
jaw and large teeth, a thick skull
and a receding forehead. He was
a fighter. These characteristics
were essential to the type of life
that he led.
Man has grown in humanity as
his brain expanded. This expan-
sion has taken place chiefly in the
frontal lobes of the brain which
have to do with thought, speech
and reason. The visual, hearing
and special relationship senses
have also developed. Dr. Tilney
believes that the human brain is
not even to-day a finished pro-
duct, but that it will undergo
still further evolution. Indeed,
he considers the modern brain an
intermediate step toward the de-
velopment of a master organ of
the future.

For the present the Lutheran
sisters who act as nurses in a large
municipal hospital in Northern
Berlin are not allowed to say grace
at table, for a Communist Alder-
man of the City, who is physician
and directly in charge of the
hospital, has forbidden any prayers
to be said before or after meals.
The sisters themselves are not the
only persons greatly agitated by
this order of Alderman de Schimke
(which, by the way, means
"rouge"), and the Community
Church Council of the district in
which the hospital is located has
sent a complaint to the Municipal
Council. It is probable that the
whole question of prayers in
municipal institutions will be dis-
cussed shortly by the Council, but
as there is a Socialist-Communist
majority in Berlin City Govern-
ment, it is not unlikely that the
grace prohibition will be upheld.

COMING AND GOING.

PASSENGERS ON THE
PRESIDENT PIERCE.

Among the passengers on the
President Pierce, which left for
Northern ports and San Francisco
on Tuesday, were: Mr. Chas.
Hoover, the American Consul
General in Batavia, Java; Mr. L.
Monks, representative of the
Parkensburg Rig and Reel Com-
pany, Parkensburg, West Virginia,
going home to the United
States; Rev. Yung T. Pan,
formerly Pastor of the Co-
gregational Church, Ladder Street
Hongkong, travelling through
the States on mission work; Mr.
E. E. Solomon, accountant of the
Standard Oil Co., in Haiphong,
Indo-China, travelling home to the
United States on vacation; Mr. V.
G. Stevens and Mr. V.
Alynn, formerly attached
to the U. S. Navy, China Station,
travelling to the United States
Mr. J. A. Tarrant, of Messrs. A.
Watson and Co., Hongkong, on
business trip to Shanghai; Mr. W.
Liam Wong, of Messrs. A. S. Wa-
son and Co., Hongkong, on a busi-
ness trip to Shanghai; Mrs. A. V.
Da Rosa and family, travelling
Shanghai; Mr. Robert Mighel
Oriental Manager for Messrs.
Arkel and Douglas, Inc., Shan-
hai, returning to that port after
a business trip; Mr. H. W. Ra-
managing director of the Hon-
kong Amusements on a business
trip to Shanghai.

Russia's Passengers.

In addition to the Hongkong
Interport golf team and the
athletes who are to play a series
of games against the Nomads, re-
ported on our sports page, the
passengers on the *Empress of*
Russia, which left yesterday, in-
cluded Mr. H. R. Sturt, Mr. A.
Cox, Mr. F. H. Hyndman, Mrs. J.
S. Perry, Mr. W. H. McIntyre, Mr.
J. E. L. Mackey, Mr. H. M. M. de
Remedios and Mr. P. W. McCarthy.

The a.s. Change arrived yester-
day from Australian ports. The
passengers aboard included Mr. A.
McKirdy, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Ar-
butt, Capt. J. P. Somerville and M.
C. D. Robertson.

BIBLE HISTORY.

STORIES ATTACKED BY
BISHOP GORE.

Bishop Gore, in a remark-
able sermon delivered in Grosvenor
Chapel, Mayfair, spoke of the cred-
ibility of some of the Old Testament
stories, and quoted Tolstoy's say-
ing that "the Jews are masters of
story-telling."

"We are nourishing a vain hope
if we suppose that the early chap-
ters of Genesis or the stories about
Daniel and Enoch are ever going
to be accepted as history.

Detected.

"They have none of the charac-
teristics of history as real science has
learned to detect them, and it is a
good kicking against facts. We will
merely delay the necessary adjust-
ment of Christianity to the new
world of ideas by going on murmur-
ing and perplexing the minds of our
children, instead of being perfect-
frank with our own minds and with
others.

"When we make that heroic so-
lution we shall find that, if we
lose something, we shall have gained
more. The Old Testament will
become not a less profitable, but
more profitable thing, when we
admit that, by its nature, it is
imperfect, and contains a vast de-
gree of barbarism.

"It is no good playing the Canu-
t. You must have the courage frank-
ly to accept the indisputable verdict
of historical science."

SHIP SMASHED IN
TYPHOON.

A PHILIPPINES MISHAP.

The steamship Dos Hermanos, owned and operated by Gutierrez Hermanos, local importers and exporters, made Manila on Friday from Legaspi, Albay, with part of its decks, railings and gangway badly battered. The damage was sustained in a collision during the last typhoon, with the motorship Carmachu at the harbour of Legaspi, in Albay.

The Carmachu, said to be the property of Mauro Prieto, Manila business man, was dragged from its anchorage by the violent winds, and rammed the Dos Hermanos. The docks, railings, anchor davits, gangway and other parts of the Dos Hermanos were damaged. The Carmachu will also need repairs.

Railway Line Damaged.

The typhoon which visited Iloilo on October 6 destroyed the Philippine Railway lines in various sections washing away several bridges, Governor Jose Lopez Vito of Iloilo, telegraphed the executive bureau.

The governor reports the greater part of the province on October 6 was under water, in many places several feet deep. A continuous downpour and strong winds destroyed all means of communication with Capiz, he says.

In Iloilo, the municipalities of La Paz, Jaro and Iloilo, are most affected, roads and bridges in these places having been washed out. In Iloilo five houses were blown down. While no definite report has been received, destruction to crops is believed enormous. In the flooded areas, aid has been given by the provincial authorities, the report states.

Zamboanga Hit.

Zamboanga was badly hit by the last typhoon, that swept the Visayan provinces, according to telegraphic advices received by the bureau of public works. The rain caused Pesos 4,000 damage to the public highway. It was stated that repairs will be undertaken soon and the sum of Pesos 5,000 was set aside for the repair work.

In Cabanatuan, Nueva Ecija, the ferry on Manila north road is impassable due to high water. The Gupan ferry is reported passable. In Nueva Vizcaya, the Bayambang-Bagabag ferry is out of commission. The Lubao-Hermosa road in Pampanga is under water 70 centimeters high. No traffic is allowed on this road. In Isabela, the Cabagan-Ilagan road was closed for traffic. In Batana, the Talisay collapsible bridge was washed away. No casualties were reported.

JAPAN'S POPULATION.

WILL BE 100,000,000 IN THIRTY YEARS.

Toko, Oct. 5.

Japan's population 30 years from now will be in the neighbourhood of 100,000,000, according to a report of a sub-committee of the government's Population and Food Problem Investigation Bureau.

In order to meet this alarming increase in population, the Ministry of Agriculture has submitted a plan whereby the government would establish a system of liberal subsidies to the farming classes. It is hoped that these subsidies will check the increasing tendency of young farmers to move to the cities which are now overcrowded with unemployed.

The more important government measures proposed to bring about even distribution of population in Japan call for the establishment of migration associations, which would encourage migration through the payment of subsidies granted from the Government, and a migration company to engage in the development of land granted by the Government.

The Colonial Bureau of the Foreign Office also has an elaborate plan for the encouragement of emigration. As in the case of migration, the Bureau proposes to encourage emigration through the payment of liberal subsidies to emigrants. The other machinery, which is considered by the Bureau necessary for the encouragement of emigration, includes a colonial bank, with branches in various foreign countries, a colonial company, a colonial museum, and stations for emigrants at Nagasaki and other places, and a committee to see to the welfare of emigrants in foreign countries.

Emigration to Brazil, Argentine and the South Sea Islands would be specially encouraged. In the case of emigrants to Brazil, it is proposed that a subsidy of \$200 should be paid to each person wishing to emigrate to that country.

MARRIAGE OF MR. P. W.
RAMSAY.

AN ARBROATH CEREMONY.

A pretty wedding took place in Inverbrothock U. F. Church, Arbroath, on September 14th, the bride being Miss Mary A. S. Davidson, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. George Davidson, Arbroath, and the bridegroom, Mr. Peter W. Ramsay, well-known of Talkeo Dock, Hongkong, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. David Ramsay, Arbroath.

The church was beautifully and effectively decorated for the occasion with flowers and plants, and the ceremony was performed in the presence of a large congregation.

The bride, who was given away by her brother, Rev. W. Davidson of Stephenson Memorial U. F. Church, Springburn, Glasgow, was becomingly attired in white chiffon velour, her lovely tulle veil having appropriate touches of orange blossom and white heather. She carried a bouquet of pink and white carnations.

Attending as bridesmaids were Miss Lizzie Grant, niece of the bridegroom, and Miss Margaret Davidson, niece of the bride, who wore pretty dresses of peach chiffon velour and carried bouquets of bronze chrysanthemums.

The officiating clergymen were Rev. D. C. Wiseman, Inverbrothock U. F. Church, and Rev. Wm. Davidson, Glasgow, brother of the bride. Mr. James Garvie, Glasgow, was groomsmen, and Messrs. David Grant, Arthur Grant, Roy Urquhart, and David Wiseman acted as ushers. Mr. W. F. Sutherland, organist of the church, presided at the organ.

After the ceremony a reception was held in the Royal Hotel. When the couple left on their honeymoon the bride wore a dress of lawn georgette with brown checked tweed coat and hat to match, and she also wore a stone marten fur.

MANILA CARNIVAL.

MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS MAY
OBJECT.

The acting Manila mayor may block the carnival project of the municipal board for various reasons, the most important of which is economic, it was indicated on Friday in the city hall by persons who are close to the chief executive, says the Manila Bulletin.

When asked yesterday about the project, Santiago Artiga, acting Manila mayor, declined to comment, stating, however, the matter needs a serious consideration. It involves tremendous outlay of public funds, which must be approved only after a thorough study, according to the city executive.

The municipal board did not take more than two hours of serious consideration to approve the Eloraga motion requesting the mayor to create a committee to study the feasibility of holding the 1928 carnival under the auspices of the city of Manila. Councillor Marcelo Eloraga, sponsor of the idea, thought of it Thursday morning, the Castillo bloc in the board approved it the evening without previous consultation.

Opposition to the proposed holding of carnival under the auspices of the city comes from high city officials, who prefer to remain unidentified. They do not want to be quoted against the project lest the municipal board should refuse to approve the proposed request for increased appropriation in the 1928 budget which will be submitted soon to the board by the acting mayor. It is conceded, however, that majority of the city department heads are against the idea as being foreign to the purposes of the city, and risky as a financial venture.

Late yesterday afternoon, Mr. Artiga had not taken steps to name the proposed committee requested by the municipal board.



Boys will be boys, but girls are running them a clothes second.

A KOWLOON CAFE
SUED.FRAUD ALLEGED AGAINST
EMPLOYEES.

An allegation that there had been conspiracy to defraud the Indian master of the Bombay Cafe, 83 Nathan Road, Kowloon, was made by Mr. C. A. S. Russ in the Summary Court this morning, when the Puisne Judge, Mr. J.R. Wood, heard a claim for \$529.89 for goods sold and delivered.

The plaintiffs were the Kowloon Butchery, Nos. 48 and 49 Kowloon Market, and the defendants the Bombay Cafe, and Mr. Khan Sahib Malli Khan, the proprietor. Mr. F. X. Remedios was for the plaintiffs and Mr. Russ defended.

The managing partner of the plaintiff business said that on August 15 or 16 he happened to pass No. 88 Nathan Road, and seeing a number of tables and chairs he went inside to find out what business if any, was going to be started.

He talked with a man named Mohammad Rajab, as a result of which he was introduced to the defendant, whom he asked for patronage in buying goods when the cafe was opened.

On August 17 Mohammad Rajab came to the plaintiff's store. As a result of that visit plaintiff sent samples of tea to the cafe. He later interviewed the defendant and received his samples back, with the exception of one tin of tea leaves. Two days later goods were ordered, but the cafe had refused to pay for them.

In reply to Mr. Russ plaintiff said he knew of no application for particulars as to who ordered the goods. Mr. Russ remarked that if the defendant was satisfied that the goods had been properly ordered he would pay for them.

A cook-boy, formerly employed at the cafe, said he ordered the goods himself on the instructions of Rajab. They were approved by the defendant before delivery was taken.

Mr. Russ: I put it to you that no goods whatever that came from the plaintiff's store reached the Bombay Cafe. They were received by them, because there was an Indian there who received them.

I put it to you that it was an arrangement that you had with Rajab to defraud your master. No, there was no conspiracy of any kind.

Mohammad Rajab, who was also formerly employed at the cafe, said he received instructions from the defendant to tell the cook to order goods.

The case was adjourned until tomorrow morning.

COPYRIGHT ACTION.

CHINESE AUTHOR'S
COMPLAINT.

The story of a Chinese author and his book was told in a copyright case which, adjourned from last week, was resumed before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Central Police Court this morning.

Wong Li Hing, the septuagenarian author of "English and Chinese Dialogues"—a bi-lingual publication which ran into its seventeenth edition in 1921—retired into the country after assigning his copyrights to a syndicate of native book sellers, called the Booksellers' Association, who lost no time in making an eighteen impression which was to have been distributed amongst the members. One of these, the Taishing Bookshop of No. 79, Hollywood Road, is said to have failed to take up its allotment, and when police officers called at the shop in consequence of a complaint, they found 27 copies of what appeared to be the 1921 edition. The charge is now laid that the Taishing Bookshop pirated the 1921 edition by making its own impression, of which the books seized by the police are a part.

The author's wife gave evidence to the effect that 5,000 copies were printed of the seventeenth edition, of which it was claimed that the copy produced in Court was the only one left in existence. It differed from the seized copies in several respects, while retaining many of the typographical errors, with amusing results. For instance, in a chapter which gives dialogue carried on in a fish-market, it is stated that "smells are cheap this morning" where the learned author had intended to speak of edible sea-shells.

The author's wife admitted that her husband did not get a good sale for his work, which later had to be disposed of, very cheaply.

The defence, represented by Mr. F. E. Losby this morning, denied having infringed the copyrights in respect of the book, they stating that to the best of their knowledge, the copies complained of were genuine ones of the earlier edition. Mr. Wadson appeared for the prosecution, and the case was again adjourned.

SEVERE DAMAGE BY
TYPHOON.PHILIPPINES VILLAGES
DEVASTATED.

THIRTY EIGHT FATALITIES.

At least thirty-three persons were killed and many were injured in the typhoon which swept over villages of northern Nueva Ecija and across Tayabas province, in the Philippines, the night of September 17, according to official Red Cross reports which reached Manila last Sunday night. Seven others are reported missing while an estimate of the number injured has not been made.

In one family of five, residing in Carranglan, only one escaped alive. The survivor, Apolonio Cawili, saw his father and mother and two sisters lost their lives, while he escaped with only a few minor injuries. The boy, who is ten years old, is being cared for by Captain E. Rellosa, of the constabulary.

The s.s. Samar, which was used by the Philippines Chapter of the American Red Cross, as a relief ship, arrived in Baler, October 1, with food, clothing and other supplies for the typhoon victims. The relief party was in the charge of Dr. Arsenio M. Tionson, who reported that out of 278 houses in the barrio of Poblacion, 36 were totally destroyed, while the rest were all damaged. In other barriers of the district, the doctor reports that 50 per cent. of the houses were completely destroyed, and that many families are still homeless.

Both the coconut and rice crops were badly hit. Dr. Tionson's report states. About ten per cent. of all coconut trees were blown down, 50 per cent. were badly damaged and the other 40 per cent. were slightly damaged.

The rice producing region in the path of the typhoon was entirely destroyed. The sugar cane about Baler was totally destroyed while there are few banana trees left in the region.

Many Villages Swept.

In addition to Carranglan and Pantabangan, two other villages in Nueva Ecija were hard hit by the typhoon, according to Dr. T. Abad, of the Red Cross, who made a survey of that region.

In Carranglan, 30 families are in homeless, while 25 families are in the same situation in Pantabangan. Ten houses were destroyed in Rizal, the same number in Bongabon and seven families are without homes in Munoz.

Information received in Manila on Saturday from Gabriel Belmonte, provincial governor of Nueva Ecija, is to the effect that 38 persons were killed in that province during the recent typhoon instead of 23 as first reported. Property damaged by the storm will amount to more than P.100,000.

According to Governor Belmonte's report the typhoon began about 9 p.m. on September 17 and 4 a.m. the following day the storm had done its damage.

The Pampanga river flooded its banks in the municipality of Carranglan, rising above its normal level to a height of two meters, resulting in the death of 171 carabaos and damaging several hectares of cultivated land. In this municipality alone 23 persons are known to have lost their lives, although only 16 bodies have been recovered. Damage to property is placed at \$50,000 in this town.

Fifteen persons were drowned in the municipality of Pantabangan, acres of homes were washed away, and many work animals were lost. Total damage to property and crops is about P.20,000.

A tributary of the Pampanga river running through the municipality of Cabanatuan flooded its banks, rising to almost 12 meters. The barrio of Aduas and the sitio of Samon were flooded. Eight houses were carried away by the water, causing a damage of more than P.1,000. No lives were lost.

Considerable damage to crops and property is reported in the towns of Munoz where 40 houses were blown down. Penaranda, Rizal, and Santo Domingo and others. Rizal alone suffered a loss estimated at P.15,000.

Five miles of concrete road have just been laid in Colorado in which rock containing 24,000 of gold-ore has been mixed. It was not with the idea of imitating the specification outlined in the Book of Revelation that this apparent extravagance was permitted, but was due to the fact that the crushed rock from the ore dump of local gold mines provided the best material with which the concrete could be made, and the amount of gold in the rock did not warrant the expensive operations necessary for extracting it.

NORTHERNERS HAVE
HARD TIME.

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Reds. Then three weeks ago word came that the proposed movement had been called off. Whereupon some of the officers openly congratulated local people, saying that they had agreed among themselves that if orders actually came for them to go to Kiangsi, they would first loot the city and then take to the mountains again, back to their old bandit life. So Shownu is glad that the split in the Kuomintang was patched up.

British Cheques Popular.

Another interesting observation is the fact that when the local yamen has money to send down to Foochow, the officials come to us to buy cheques specifying British banks. It is quite the thing to lay all the blame for their troubles on British imperialism and to plaster the town with posters urging the citizens to have nothing to do with anything British, but it is a horse of a different colour when it comes to a matter of the safety of their own money. Such circumstances as related and many others force one to wonder how much of intelligent and genuine loyalty there is at present among the Nationalist adherents behind the lines, whether among the soldiers or among those who are more vocal in their patriotism, the multitudes of jobholders under the new regime.

Schools Still Closed.

During the past summer, the provincial educational authorities issued a ruling that a private middle school could open only if it were registered with the government; and it could be registered only if its annual budget was at least five thousand dollars. This was considerably in excess of the amount available—or needed—for either of our middle schools. So the Chinese Christians had given up hope of being able to open this fall. However, a few weeks ago this government regulation was removed. Hence, although the other schools in the city had been in session for almost a month, the Christian girls' school opened last week with a fair enrolment, and the boys' school is ready to open as soon as the soldiers can be persuaded to vacate the buildings. For many months there has been no agitation against or opposition to the church or against the few missionaries, German and American, who are still here.

MANILA'S BLOW.

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The Bicol has been used by the Manila Railroad Company for eight years on their connecting run between Pasacao and Aloneros, Tayabas, a distance of about 55 miles. The round trip is made regularly three times a week. Officials of the company say the vessel was seaworthy and that it had been rebuilt in 1920. Before being purchased by the railroad company the Bicol was registered as the s.s. Borongan. It has a net tonnage of 170 tons, is 123 feet long, has a draft of 7½ feet and is equipped with twin-screws. The Ragay Gulf in which the accident occurred is well protected from storms by the Bondoc Peninsula. There are no obstructions to navigation other than close ashore where the water is shallow.

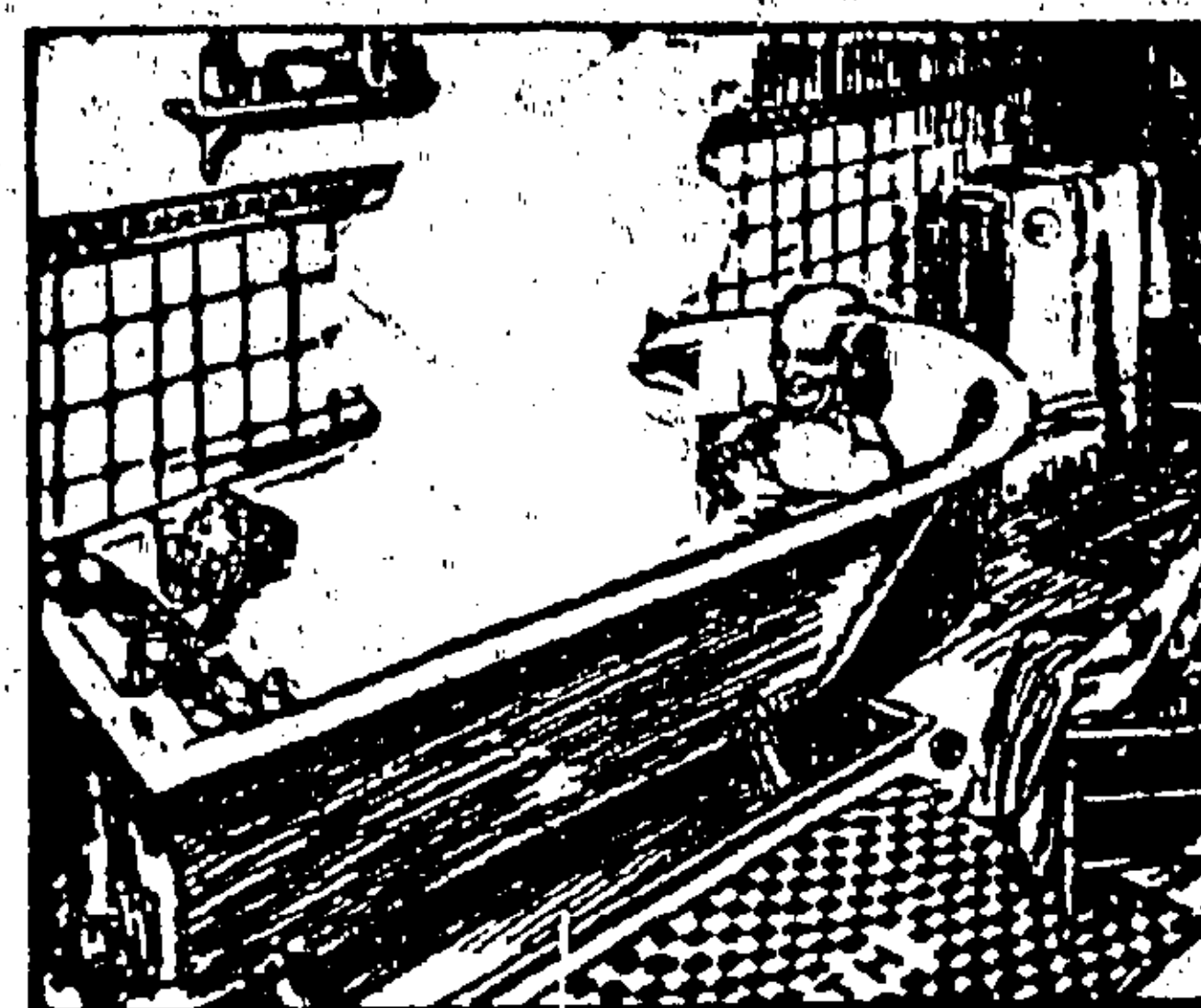
Communications concerning the accident were delayed yesterday because telegraph lines between Pasacao and Legaspi were blown down during the typhoon. Messages from Manila had to be sent to Legaspi and relayed from there to Naga, Camarines Sur, before reaching Pasacao.

PUBLIC HEALTH.

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flow of private benefactions into this and other worthy public institutions.

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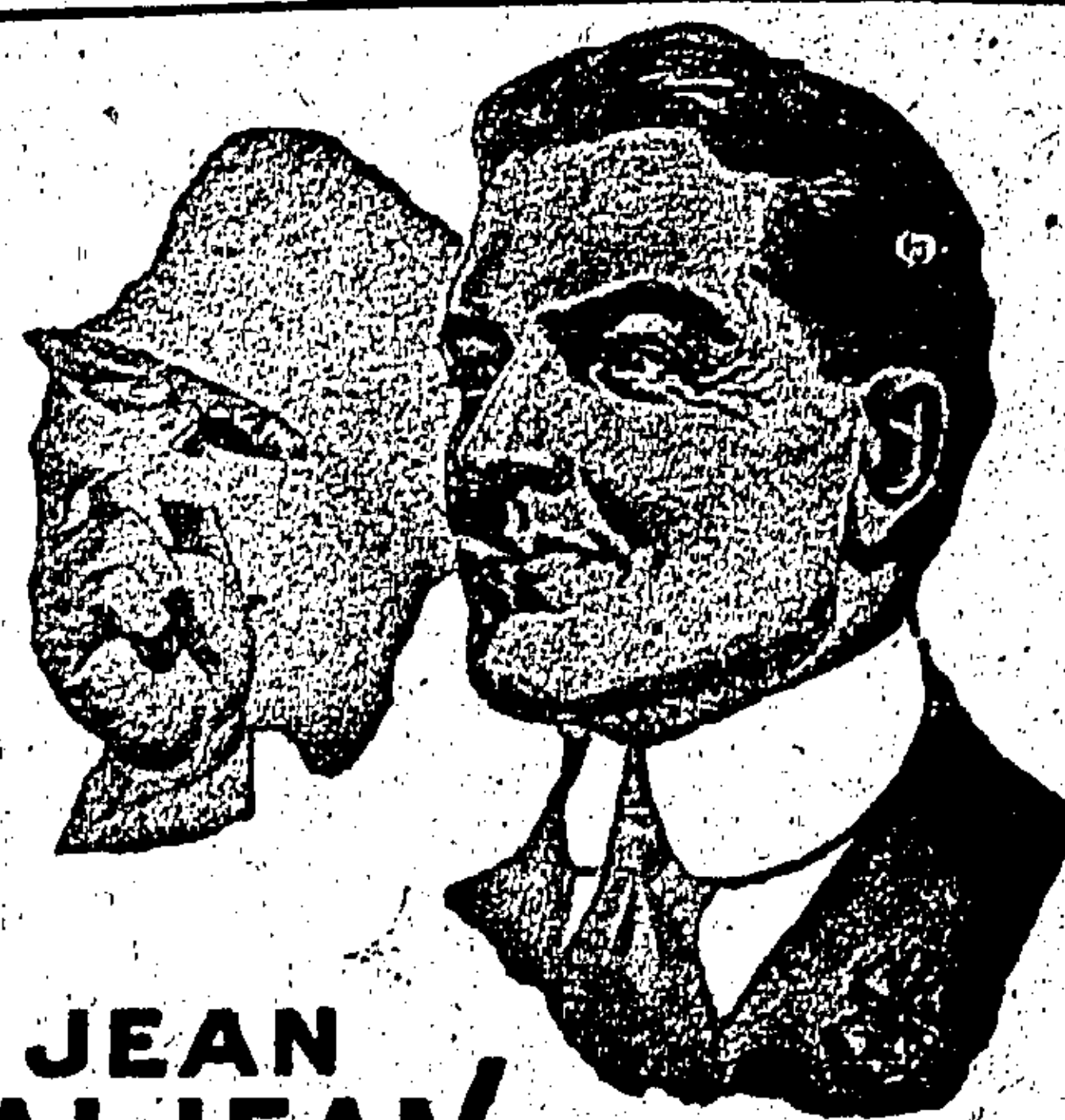
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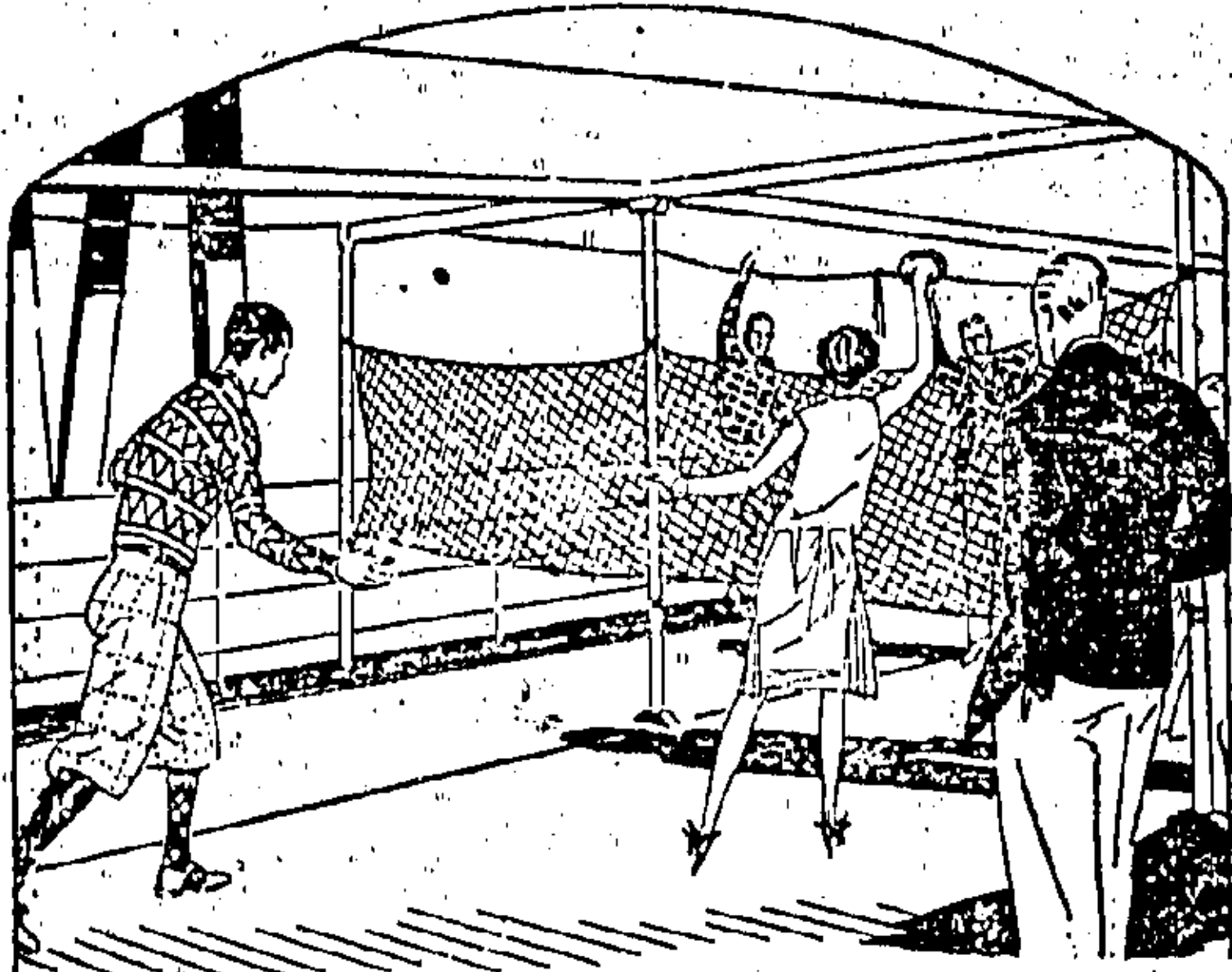
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USE OF FORGED TELEGRAMS.

PLAN TO DEFRAUD BOOKMAKERS.

An ingenious method of defrauding bookmakers was described at the Old Bailey recently, when Thomas Henry Jones, 36, telegraphist, pleaded not guilty to charges of obtaining money by means of forged telegrams, of forging telegrams, and procuring William John Frederick Undery to forge telegrams with intent to defraud. Mr. Percival Clarke, prosecuting for the Post Office, said that bookmakers and commission agents were in the habit of receiving bets by telegram. On June 23 Undery, who was employed in the Central Telegraph Office, went into the phonogram-room at the Central Post Office at two p.m. He was seen to take up two telegrams and write on them in code the time 1.24, indicating that the telegrams had been handed in at that time. The telegrams directed that £1 each was to be put on a horse named "Sundry," that had just won the 1.30 race at Newcastle. The matter was reported, and it was discovered that the telegrams were addressed to two bookmakers.

Inquiries were made by the Post Office as to the person who had sent the telegrams, stated Mr. Clarke, and it was found that the name was R. M. Jones, of Chesterford-road, Manor Park. Officials went to see Jones, but they saw Jones. He told them that Jones had asked him to receive some letters for him, and he had never sent any telegrams for Jones. Undery was arrested and bound over at the Guildhall. He made a statement regarding the dealings he had had with Jones, who was arrested. No money was paid out on the telegrams of June 23. Undery, said Mr. Clarke, would tell them that on June 14 a similar telegram was sent, and as a result £15 12s. 6d. was sent to Mr. Jones.

Altered in Transit.

Undery, giving evidence, said that in May there was a conversation between Jones and himself, and Jones suggested that they should open betting accounts and send to bookmakers telegrams that had been stopped and altered during transmission. They could find out the names of winning horses, insert them in the telegrams, and share the winnings. As a result of the transaction on June 14 he received either £7 or £8 from Jones. Jones gave the name of Jones to the bookmakers. Cross-examined by Jones, Undery denied that he had suggested opening accounts with bookmakers.

The Recorder intimated that the counts dealing with procuring Undery to forge telegrams with intent to defraud would be left on the file of the Court, and that they would proceed on the charges of forgery.

In evidence Jones said that in May Undery had won some money from a bookmaker, who refused to take any more bets from him. Undery suggested to him (Jones) that they should arrange a scheme between them. He said that if he

THE THREATENED WYE.

TWENTY RIVERS CLEARED OF FISH.

Almost the loveliest of all our British rivers, the Wye, is the latest to be threatened with some pollution of its waters. The Wye salmon (some of 50 lbs. have been caught this year) are threatened in the same way as the Ely roach. One of the polluting sources in several rivers and canals is the most recent, and one of the most beneficent, of British industries—the extraction of sugar from sugar beet. A part of the effluent from the rather elaborate process of extracting and refining the syrup does damage both to fish and the food of the fish, writes a Home correspondent.

Mr. Sydney Buxton, an ex-Minister of Agriculture, and one of the assistant founders of the industry, has pleaded especially on behalf of the pike-fisher; and there is no doubt that large doses of the waste liquid will harm coarse fish as well as game fish. River pollution has been a criminal offence for just fifty years, but it has—in the word of a Government official—"progressed." Since monks fished for Friday meals, a score of rivers have been permanently cleared of fish by various poisons, mostly from factories.

The sugar factory is undoubtedly a new danger in places that had been quite free from the factory menace; and new factories are beginning to arise in the West, where the best rivers are, as in the East. Now the Pure River Society, founded a year ago, has laid it down that, "in the majority of cases pollution can be dealt with at no great expense," and that "occasionally the waste products can be advantageously utilised and made a source of profit." It is a joint question of mechanical and chemical science, and it is an immediate, urgent duty that the sugar effluents should have a special study. There is no better reason than carelessness or ignorance why the untreated effluents should poison either an Eastern County canal where the pike lurk, or a rapid Western river where the salmon leap. It is interesting to know that the National Farmers' Union, many of whose members have been saved by the sugar factory, are co-operating in the campaign to save the rivers.

(Jones) would write the letters to the bookmakers and open the accounts he would arrange to alter the telegrams in the office. The Recorder: Did you agree to that?—Yes.

Jones said that Undery suggested that he should give the name of Jones when he was opening the accounts with the bookmakers. He had never handed in any telegrams for this purpose at all.

Jones was found guilty of all the charges left to the jury. A police-officer gave him a good character. While awaiting trial he had married a widow with two children.

The Recorder passed sentence of eighteen months' imprisonment without hard labour. He said that it was a very clever and ingenious fraud.

GIRDER CRASHES INTO BUS.

PASSENGERS' NARROW ESCAPE IN LONDON.

Several people had narrow escapes when a steel girder, weighing two tons, crashed into the top of an omnibus at the junction of Threadneedle Street and Bishopsgate, London, in mail week.

The girder, which had just been taken from the Bank of England, was being taken away in a steam wagon. The wagon was turning out of Threadneedle Street when it came into collision with a bus proceeding towards Liverpool Street.

The girder, which was protruding in front of the wagon by about ten feet, smashed into the top left-hand corner of the bus and completely buckled the upper structure. The omnibus was full at the time, and it is remarkable that no one was injured.

Mr. John Ferguson, Enfield, who was sitting in a front seat, told the story of his escape to the Central News.

"I was reading my paper," he said, "when suddenly I heard a shout. I looked up and saw an enormous girder rushing straight at me like a giant battering-ram. I shouted out a warning to the other passengers, ducked as low as I could, and covered my face with my hands. There was a jolt, a rending smash, and part of the roof crumpled in. It was a wonderful escape."

A gang of workmen later arrived on the scene and began the work of lifting the girder.

The breakdown gang had a difficult, not to say dangerous, task in lowering the girder, which had come to rest on the top of the omnibus, to the ground.

The girder was 45 feet long. The steam wagon was carrying another girder of the same length and weight, but this fortunately fell to the ground owing to the shock of the collision without damaging the bus.

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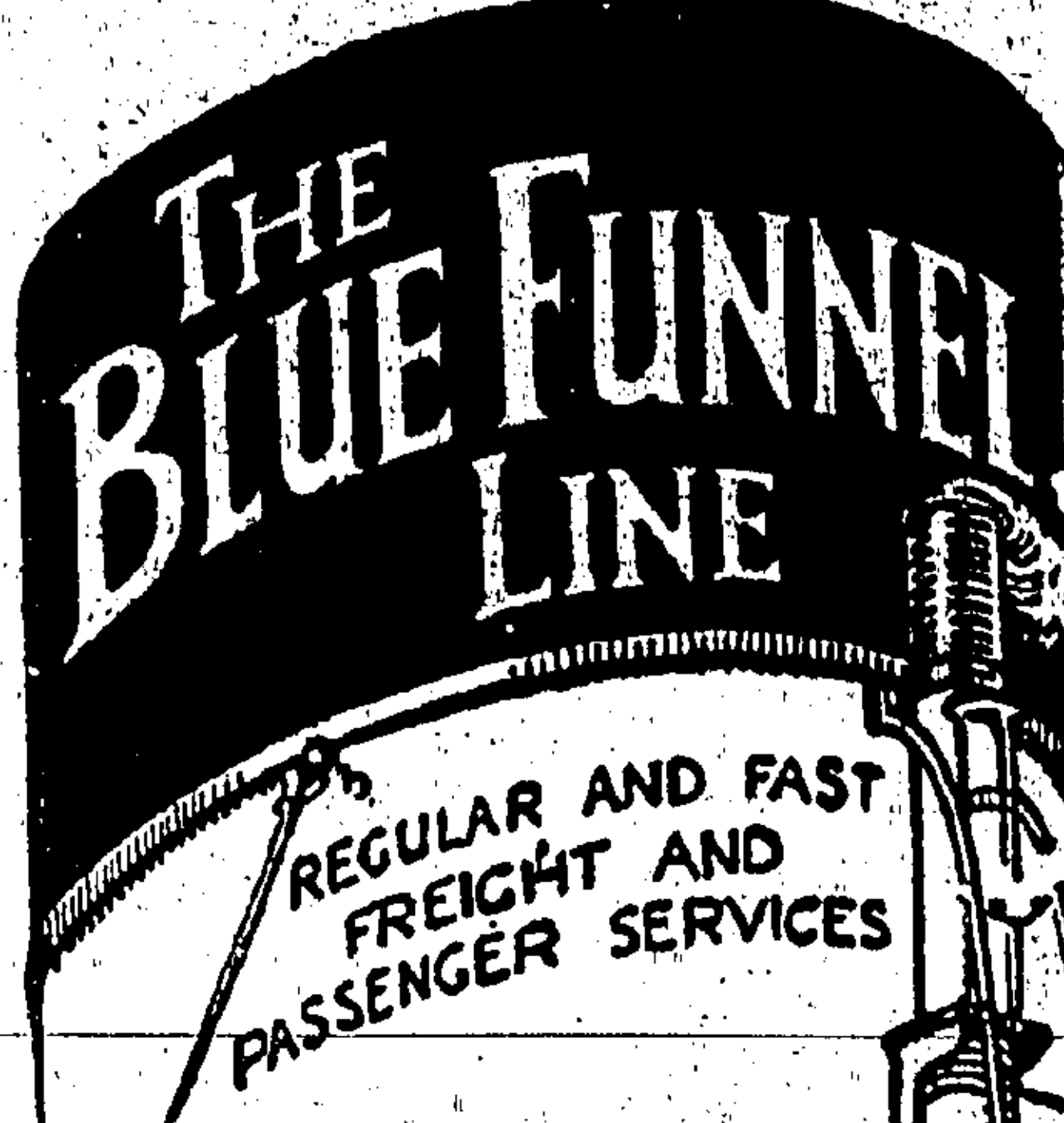
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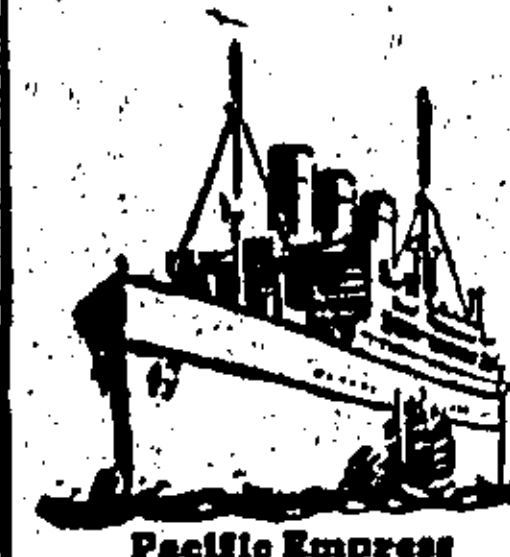
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Per A. M. L. Liner Pres. Jackson for Manila, on Oct. 12.—Miss K. Kane, Mrs. Catalina Del Carmen, Mr. Kane, Arthur Del Carmen, Mrs. K. Kane, Mrs. R. R. Marsh, Mr. B. Dunham, Mrs. P. C. Percival, Mrs. P. W. Downes, Mrs. S. B. Smith, Mr. Kwan Kook Wing, Mr. Loo Kit Sang, Mr. Loo Shee Pak, Mr. Chan Kong Yen, Mr. Chan Loy Tong, Mr. Chan Heek Sing, Mrs. D. M. Hitecock, Sister Mary Dolores, Sister Mary Patricia, Mr. E. E. Elser, Mrs. P. Ivanhoe, Miss Virginia, Mr. Claire Griswold, Miss Helen Culp, Mrs. J. Legaretto Artacho, Mr. Y. Ugalde Echeverria, Mr. Georges M. Bardielt, Mr. Hon An To, Mr. Lin Seng, Mr. Chan Sam, Mr. Ramon Santos, Mrs. A. B. Gresap, Mrs. G. Amend, Mrs. A. T. Simmie, Miss J. Simmie, Mr. Kong Fan Sai, Mr. Y. Imamura, Mrs. Y. Imamura, Mr. Y. Del Rosario, Mrs. J. S. Waddington, Mrs. Harvey McCormack, Mrs. R. S. Culp.

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THRILLING PASSAGE OF TWO STUDENTS.

Interviewed in mail week at St. Margaret's Bay, Willi Wehrle and Wiethier Klausmeyer, the two Austrian students who recently had a thrilling passage across the Channel in a fourteen feet rubber canoe, said:—We left Vienna on July 8 last and paddled our little craft, which is named the Esmeralda, up the Danube and then down the Rhine via Cologne and Holland.

Then, skirting the coast line as far as Dunkirk, we were forced by the very rough weather conditions to go ashore and travel overland to Cape Griznez.

We left Cape Griznez at 11.45 yesterday morning, half an hour after the English woman swimmer, Miss Hudson, had started her Channel swim. We passed her on the way, and she was so close that we waved to her and wished her bon voyage.

As we got further across the Channel we encountered fierce rain squalls and a high wind, which made the sea so rough that waves broke all over us, nearly swamp-

ing our little craft. We took in so much water that we had to bale out for all we were worth.

While we were thus engaged we heard a loud noise overhead, and on looking up we were surprised to find a large aeroplane swooping down on us. The giant plane then circled round and came down lower, still evidently thinking we were in great trouble.

We signalled to them that we were all right so far, so those in the plane waved their hands to us and continued their way.

As we got further across the sea became worse, and we had to fight every inch of the way. One of us was continually paddling while the other baled out water. We were very glad, indeed, when we reached St. Margaret's Bay.

The two adventurers hope to continue their journey in their little boat to London.

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All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 17th October will be subject to rent.

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DARING PIRACY IN HARBOUR.

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water, has now been towed away for repairs. The launch is fairly well known in the harbour. It has no upper bridge and resembles some of the older Police launches. The extent of the damage to the craft is not yet known.

The Official Report.

The official account reads:—A clerk of the Wo Fat Shing Shipping Company, of 81 Wing Lok Street, reports that at 6.45 p.m. on Wednesday he and seven other passengers left the Canton Wharf on board the steam-launch Wo Fat Shing to go on board the s.s. Prominent.

Shortly after leaving the wharf, the engineer, named Ah Wong, and the stoker, named Ah Li, of the above launch, suddenly appeared on deck and produced pistols with which they threatened the passengers, eventually forcing them all into the forward cabin. They then searched the passengers' belongings and removed in all \$148 worth of trinkets and jewellery.

From a large box, which was not locked, the two men extracted two wooden boxes containing gold bars valued at \$21,000, the property of the Wo Fat Shing Steamship Company.

Half an hour later, the launch crashed into something. At that time one of the passengers managed to free himself and he released all the others and proceeded on deck. They found that the launch was ashore, just opposite the Ming Yuen Gardens.

An arrest was made last night, and one bar of gold recovered.

CONVENT SALE OF WORK.

OPENED BY MRS. SOUTHERN.

A remarkably fine display of embroidery work, linen articles, and woollies, graced the stalls at the annual sale of work of the French Convent, which was opened this morning by Mrs. W. T. Southern, by the pretty ceremony of cutting a red, white and blue paper cord held by two of the girls across the entrance gate.

Mrs. Southern, in the course of a brief speech, said that she had visited the Convent for the first time on Tuesday, and was much impressed by the splendid work being done, not only in the school, but in every department of the Convent activities.

The magnificent and self-sacrificing efforts of the Convent sisters were apparent to all, and she wished them every success.

The proceeds of the sale will go towards the support of the large number of orphans and incurables maintained by the institution, and it was gratifying that the sale was well patronised during the morning.

Raffles, games and a cinema show have also been arranged in connexion with the function, while the tea-rooms are excellently designed.

The stall-holders were: French Stall—Mesdames De La Prade, Lem, Rollin, Albuquerque, and Miles. De La Prade and Delage.

American Stall—Mrs. J. H. Taggart, Mrs. Geare, Mrs. Sommers, Mrs. Bagram, Mrs. Grossman and Mrs. Callanan.

Scottish Stall—Mrs. Templeton, Mrs. Drummond, Mrs. Stainfield, Mrs. Witherspoon, Mrs. Morrison, Mrs. McNeillie, Mrs. Barclay, Mrs. McLeod and Mrs. Swan.

Refreshment Room—Mrs. F. Maitland, Mrs. Bennett, Mrs. Sandes, Mrs. Redmond, Mrs. Green, Mrs. Cassidy and Miss Stevenson.

Woolen Stall—The Misses Tse and the Misses Chao Po-sien.

Fish Pond—Mrs. Macdonald, Mrs. Lawless and Mrs. Matheson. Toy Stall—The Misses F. Dixon, N. Simmern, Anderson, and Chao Po-sien.

ACTRESSES, NUNS AND OTHERS.

THE PROTECTION OF WOMEN EMIGRANTS.

The report of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs for 1926, in dealing with the protection of women and girls, states that the number of female and minor passengers examined and allowed to proceed abroad was 29,636 (women 19,691, girls 2,797 and boys 7,248) as compared with 15,082 in 1925, a remarkable increase of almost twice as many.

The record of the occupations of the female emigrants over 16 years of age shows that out of a total of 19,691, 6,329 were going to join relatives, 6,574 with relatives or husbands, 384 as tailresses, 700 as prostitutes, 5,272 as maid-servants or nurses, 5 as students and 266 to work on the land. There

DISTRICT WATCHMEN.

LOCAL BODY'S WORK LAST YEAR.

The District Watchmen Committee met on 12 occasions in 1926, states the S.C.A.'s report, the average attendance being 14. The loyal advice and assistance of the committee (which deals with every kind of question affecting the Chinese Community) continue to be of the greatest value to the Government.

The balance to the credit of the District Watchmen Fund at the end of the year was \$46,627 as compared with \$47,318 in 1925, the expenditure thus exceeding the income by \$691. Of the balance, \$28,000 is invested in Hongkong 6% War Loan, and the remainder \$18,627 deposited in the Colonial Treasury.

The Committee were much indebted to Mr. Wong Kam Fuk for undertaking to audit the monthly accounts.

The total strength of the District Watchmen Force at the end of the year was 117 while the approved establishment is 122.

The number of convictions secured by the Force was 467 as compared with 371 in 1925 and 498 in 1924.

Sub-Inspector F. W. Shaftain continued in charge of the Force during the year, and is again to be commended for the good work done, especially with the detective branch. The uniformed branch still lacks the attention of a special European police officer; it is hoped that this defect will be remedied in the near future, and this branch of the Force rendered thereby more efficient. Arrangements have now been definitely made to alter the uniform to one of a more modern pattern.

THE CHINESE PUBLIC DISPENSARIES.

MUCH WORK DONE LOCALLY.

The total number of cases treated at the dispensaries was 139,469 as compared with 135,571 in 1925, says the report of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, for last year. Of this total 77,732 were new and 61,737 return cases.

The total number of vaccinations performed was 11,342 as against 10,489 in 1925.

The total expenditure on the dispensaries was \$44,321 as against \$52,266 in 1925.

The net revenue of the dispensaries, excluding a grant of \$9,000 by Government was \$38,456 as compared with \$41,532 in 1925.

The two Kowloon dispensaries at Hung Hom and Shamshuipo show balance of \$1,848 and \$1,528 respectively. In 1925 the balances were \$3,544 and \$3,598.

The Dispensaries Committee are again indebted to the authorities of the Alice Memorial Hospital for assistance in the matter of the issue of medicines and drugs and the regulation of the consumption.

NORTH AND SOUTH COMPROMISE?

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occasioned anxiety among relatives and friends.—*Reuter.*

Lady Ho Kai is the widow of the late Sir Kai Ho-kai of Hongkong. Their children included six daughters and nine sons. Mrs. C. C. Wu is the second daughter.

Of the nine sons, three are still in their minority and the remaining six are at present doing business in North China.

TO ATTACK FENG.

Chang Tso-lin's Instructions.

Peking, Oct. 12.

It is officially announced that the Fengtien forces moving from Sino have captured Hwailu, west of Shihchihachwang, also that all Shansi troops who are outside the Nianzhekuan Pass have been cut off from Shansi.

Marshal Chang Tso-lin wired Chang Tsung-chang this evening instructing him to press an attack against Feng Yu-hsiang along the Lunglai railway with all possible strength.—*Reuter.*

An hour after the Australian steamer Largs Bay had left Malta two stowaways were found fast asleep in deck chairs on the promenade deck. They were Albert Dennett, of Bournemouth, and George Winspail, of Birmingham, serving in the aircraft carrier Eagle as Royal Marines. When the Largs Bay arrived at Plymouth they were given in charge of a naval escort.

There were also 13 actresses, 25 hair-dressers and 19 nuns.

From Singapore: 120 prostitutes were sent back from Singapore of whom 127 were returned on the ground that they were too young to practise prostitution.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

"THE SONG AND DANCE MAN" TO-DAY.

Scores of pretty chorus girls take part in "The Song and Dance Man," the notable Paramount film which comes to the Queen's Theatre to-day with Tom Moore and Bessie Love as the leading players. These girls are members of George White's famous musical comedy revue, "Scandals," the magnificent number of which is reproduced as one of the settings for the film.

"The Song and Dance Man" is woven round the adventures of a vaudeville player who seeks to gain a footing in New York but instead finds himself the central figure in a dramatic situation that brings sudden fame to the young girl dancer he has befriended.

The story of "The Song and Dance Man" has been adapted from the great stage hit of the same name, and as unfolded in the film is highly original. Most of the settings are now New York's theatre-land. They afforded excellent glimpses of back-stage scenes, the spectator in effect being taken among the players as they are rehearsing before the empty theatre.

The acting in the "The Song and Dance Man" is of a high order, Tom Moore having caught the spirit of the little role in admirable manner, and Bessie Love possessing both the charm and the talent necessary for the part of the young dancer who leaps into fame. "The Song and Dance Man," therefore, is a picture that should be greatly enjoyed.

BRAZILIAN LOAN FLOATED.

PART OFFERED IN LONDON.

London, Oct. 12.

Particulars of a big Brazilian loan are published. Seven millions sterling are offered for subscription in this country.

This is part of an issue of \$8,750,000 of Brazilian 6% per cent. bonds, the balance of which will be offered in Holland, Switzerland and Sweden. At the same time, an approximately similar amount of external sinking fund bonds, namely \$4,150,000, is being offered in New York. The bonds are offered at 91 1/2 per cent. and the issue is expected to be promptly oversubscribed.—*British Wireless.*

THE NEW COSGRAVE CABINET.

IRISH FREE STATE MINISTRY.

Dublin, Oct. 12.

Mr. Cosgrave has reconstructed the Cabinet, with the following appointments:

Minister of Finance, Posts and Telegraphs; Mr. Ernest Blythe.

Minister of Defence: Mr. Desmond Fitzgerald.

Minister of Education: Mr. John M. O'Sullivan.

Minister of Industry and Foreign Minister: Mr. McGilligan.

Minister of Agriculture: Mr. Connor Hogan.

Minister of Fisheries: Mr. Finian Lynch.

Local Government: Mr. Richard J. Mulcahy.

Minister of Justice: Mr. Kenney.—*Reuter.*

Among the interesting events depicted in the topical gazette being screened at the Queen's Theatre to-day is the launching of Britain's latest 10,000-ton cruiser, H.M.S. "London," and the inauguration of the Eucharistic Congress by Cardinal Boggiani with great pomp at Bologna. The gazette shows events that took place little more than three weeks ago, having been sent to Hongkong by the Siberian route.

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

The following are the replies to to-day's questions:

1. Quebec Bridge. 2. United Empire Loyalists were British subjects who, after the American Revolution, declined to leave the Mother Country, found their way north into Canada and settled there in the eastern provinces. It is one of the proudest boasts of a Canadian to-day that he is an Empire Loyalist's descendant. There are 51,000 of them. 3. There are 800,000,000 acres of agricultural land available in Canada, but only 60,000,000 are so far under crop. 4. When the white man went westward over the prairie he lived on the buffalo, as the Indian had done before him. Moreover, the skins were useful for rugs. The Indians to check the advance of the white man, rounded up the buffalo and slaughtered them wholesale. The animal is now preserved under Government auspices in large tracts of territory set apart in the west and north. A wallow is a buffalo sand-bath. 5. The twin cities are Port Arthur and Fort William, situated at the head of the Lakes, and are so called from their juxtaposition. They are the great wheat-collecting and distributing ports for the Prairie Provinces, the grain rattling from them to all parts of the American continent and to Europe. 6. 8775 miles by rail from Halifax, N.S., to Vancouver, B.C. 7. Nova Scotia. New Brunswick. Prince Edward Island. Quebec. Ontario. Manitoba. Saskatchewan. Alberta. British Columbia. There are also the Yukon and North-West Territories. 8. (a) Montreal, commercial metropolis. (b) Ottawa, federal capital. 9. Victoria. 10. On the St. Lawrence River, between Brockville and Kingston, Ontario. 11. When the report of Eastern Canada's 11 McGill University, Montreal, and the University of Toronto. 12. Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Alberta.

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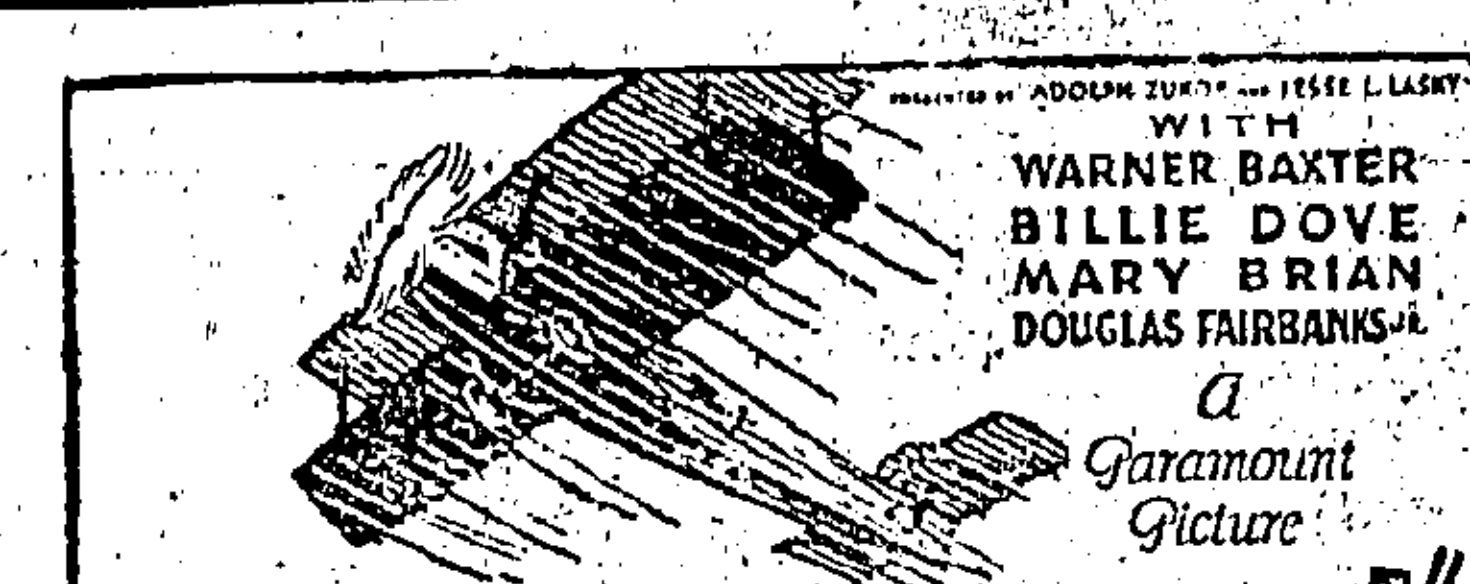
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